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A SENSATION.

Secretary Bliss Repudiates the Action of Commissioner Lamoreaux as to the McKee Scrip.

CHICAGO PROPERTY IS INVOLVED.

Lamoreaux Will be Removed—Hunter Secures the Caucus Nomination for Senator in Kentucky—His Defeat Predicted.

Washington, March 13.—The sensational order repudiating the acts of the general land office in Chicago in the Lake front case, and which will probably be immediately followed by the dismissal of S. W. Lamoreaux of Wisconsin, the commissioner of the general land office has been signed by Secretary of the Interior Bliss. The order directs that all proceedings subsequent to filing the application to locate the McKee Scrip on the lake front be annulled and rehearing be had. The action is based on a favorable opinion of Lamoreaux given out by him to one of the parties in interest three days before the time, appointed by himself for the formal announcement of his decision. The land on which the scrip is located is in the heart of Chicago. It is estimated in value all the way up to fifty or sixty million dollars.

HUNTER NOMINATED.

Prediction That He Will Not be Elected

Frankfort, Ky., March 13.—Congressman Godfrey Hunter was nominated this morning in the Republican caucus for United States senator. It is doubtful if he can be elected.

DYNAMITE GUN CAPTURED.

Insurgents Make a Charge and Recover It Then Turn It Upon the Spaniards.

Key West, Fla., March 13.—A letter was received here yesterday afternoon from Colonel Barrios, who is with General Riviera, in Pinar del Rio province. It gives an exciting account of the narrow escape which they had from losing their famous dynamite gun by capture. This is the only gun of its kind in the western section of Cuba and the Spaniards regard it with vengeful feelings, as it has inflicted great damage upon them at all times.

John Lynn, the young Florida boy who is in command of it, is an expert in explosives. The gun was stationed at one of the plateaus near the Gobernadra hills. There was a camp of about 300 men half a mile from it, but where the gun was posted there were only fifty men, it not being supposed that the Spaniards could attack without the other force being apprised of their approach. Col. Jose Santos, of the Spanish army, with a force of 800 men had set out to attack this encampment from San Christobal. Learning through his spies that the gun was comparatively unprotected, he detached a force of 200 men to move through the mountains and come in on their rear. This force moved very secretly and early in the morning burst forth on the little band of Cubans guarding the gun, surprising them utterly. Before they could give the alarm they were cut down to a man. Though against the order of the Spanish captain, a number of shots had been fired. The main column in the meanwhile had started up the usual path, which the Cubans had strongly guarded and also mined.

The party who captured the gun found they had an elephant on their hands, as they had no way of moving it, as much as they wanted to possess it, and they set about disabling it. Not understanding its mechanism, they lost about half an hour before understanding what to do. In the meantime, Captain Lynn, who was absent from the camp, heard of the firing, and suspecting something of the kind, he gathered a force of 100 insurgents, comprising twenty-five Americans, and they came on the run to the rescue of this beloved gun. Pressing through the thicket, they dashed at the Spaniards, who were clustered among the huts and around the gun, charging with wild cries of "Cuba Libre." The charge was too fierce to be withstood, and the Spanish were driven from the plateau with great loss, many being thrown bodily down its steep sides. Lynn hastily examined his gun, and finding it uninjured, it was moved to the edge of the mountain and trained on the approaching Spanish main column. Sounds of firing were heard shortly afterward, and the advanced post of the insurgents came dashing up the path, with hundreds of Spanish in close pursuit, the latter thinking they had the insurgents in a trap. Lynn sighted his gun, pulled the lanyard, a shrill hiss followed, and a second afterward a terrific explosion occurred in the Spanish ranks half a mile away. Another shell was hastily slipped in, and it was swiftly shipped on its mission of death.

Cries of terror and dismay were heard in the Spanish ranks as the shells burst, and they sought to flee from their dreaded enemy. The men beyond rushed them on, and the 400 or 500 troops were crowded in the narrow gorge, while the dynamite gun above plied them with shells, and the Cubans rallied to the heights, surrounding them, and poured in a deadly fire. A few minutes of this work sufficed, and the Spaniards fled wildly, leaving their dead upon the field. Col. Santos, Major Andres and four or five officers of inferior grade were killed, and 125 bodies were counted upon the field. No report has ever been made of this to the Havana authorities, or if made has been suppressed. It occurred about the 6th of the month, but no details have been known here until now regarding it.

THE LEGISLATURE.

Bill to Abolish Department Stores—Adjourned Until Monday.

Springfield, March 13.—In the house Suttle introduced a bill making it unlawful for any corporation to engage in business for the sale of merchandise at retail. This is aimed at department stores. It provides that corporations in the retail business shall cease to exist except for the enforcement of contracts and obligations held by them and to liquidate their liabilities, within six months from time the act takes effect. It is made applicable to foreign corporations as well. The penalty is a fine of thousand dollars for each sale at retail.

McLaughlin introduced a bill for the establishment of a court of conciliation for the amicable settlement of controversies with the view to the prevention of multiplicity of and delay in litigation. It provides for the appointment by courts of record in this state of a commission of three counsellors to hold these courts of conciliation as judges thereof. The house then spent some time on a bill amendment the law in relation to evidence.

Finally the enacting clause was stricken out. The house then adjourned till Monday evening.

The Senate.

The senate was in session five minutes without a quorum. Bills were introduced by Stubblefield for permitting any city, village or town to organize under the general laws by a majority vote, also for a library commission to promote the establishment of free public libraries. Adjourned till Monday evening.

MISSISSIPPI RISING.

Steamboats Advertise Excursions 50 Miles Overland.

Memphis, Tenn., March 13.—The Mississippi river continues to rise. River steamers are making landings never before attempted. In some instances the boats touch at points forty miles inland. Two big side wheel steamers, capable of carrying a thousand passengers, have each issued notice of excursions into Eastern Arkansas, making a trip of fifty miles due west through tree tops, over submerged cabins, farms and small villages. The highest high water never before offered such an opportunity.

Fiendish Deed of an Unknown Woman.

Kansas City, Mo., March 13.—Jennie Knight, 13 years old, daughter of M. Knight, of 214 East Tenth street, was walking south on Grand avenue between Eleventh and Twelfth streets, about 10 o'clock yesterday, when a well dressed woman, who had been reading the bill boards, turned and looked at her. As the girl drew near the woman stepped up to her and said, holding a bottle before the girl: "Let me try this on your face, and see whether it won't make it white." Jennie began backing away from the woman, who kept drawing nearer. Finally the woman rushed and grabbed the girl. "How dare you run?" she said. "Now I'll put it on your face any way." Jennie fought the woman, but the latter opened the bottle in the scuffle. She poured the contents on her handkerchief and rubbed the girl's cheeks vigorously. "Now your face will be white," she said, releasing the girl, and walking quickly away.

Jennie's face began to smart, and she ran home crying. By the time she reached home her cheeks were blistered and burned white. The physician who was called declared that carbolic acid had been used, and that the child's face would be badly scarred for life. Some of the acid entered her eyes, and she may lose her sight. The fiendish woman is unknown, and although the police have searched diligently, she has escaped arrest.

Monuments to Illinois Troops.

Springfield, Ill., March 13.—The commission appointed to mark the positions of Illinois troops on southern battlefields met at the Leland hotel last evening and awarded the contract for erecting the monuments and markers at Mission Ridge. The contract was awarded to Col. J. S. Culver of this city, and the figures aggregate about $23,000. The monuments will be similar to those placed on the field at Chickamaugua.

WALLINGS' LIFE.

Respite of Four Days Given Him by Gov. Bradley for Effect on Jackson.

JACKSON TO BE HUNG ON SATURDAY.

Lovers Suicide in Fort Wayne—City Clerk Haney Acquitted and His Accuser Ordered to Answer Charge of Perjury.

Frankfort, Ky., March 13.—Governor Bradley has granted a respite of four days in the case of Alonzo Walling, under sentence to be hanged Saturday for the murder of Pearl Bryan. The governor had already declined to interfere with the sentence of Walling's accomplice, Scott Jackson, who will, therefore hang at that date. The respite in the Walling case is given on the theory that Jackson will make a confession favorable to Walling.

They Died Together.

Ft. Wayne, Ind., March 13.—This morning Will E. Colerick, a prominent young lawyer, son of Hon. Henry Colerick, was found dead and his finance, Miss Mae Hall, unconscious in the young lady's home. An empty body of carbolic acid indicated suicide. They were soon to be married.

City Clerk Haney Acquitted.

Minneapolis, Minn., March 13.—The trial of ex-City Clerk Haney, for offering a bribe of $300 to Alderman E. G. Drew, terminated suddenly this morning, the court directing acquittal. Drew refused on the stand to connect Haney with the matter. He admitted finding the envelope addressed to him containing $300. He kept the money and professed ignorance of the sender. Before the grand jury Drew had sworn that Haney gave him the money for his vote in having a contract awarded. Judge Smith in ordering acquittal scored Drew, and entered an order that the alderman be held to answer a charge of perjury or larceny before the next grand jury.

CAUGHT BY AN ADVERTISEMENT.

The Parties Who Advertised a Cyclone for St. Louis Will be Prosecuted by the Government.

St. Louis, March 13.—Observer Frankenfield of the local weather bureau, has received orders from Washington to prosecute all persons engaged in the distribution a few days ago of a fictitious tornado warning to call attention to a melodrama, soon to be produced here. The matter was laid before the local authorities and as soon as the names of the persons engaged in the distribution are learned they will be prosecuted for disturbing the peace. Posting these alleged warnings created the greatest alarm throughout that portion of the city devastated by the cyclone last May.

Hanna's Mail.

Washington, March 13.—Senator Hanna has more mail that any other two men in congress, and what is the most remarkable thing of all, he never receives a letter that is not answered courteously, concisely and completely. Mr. Hanna's mail is averaging considerably over 200 letters a day. It has increased greatly since he came to Washington, and if the remainder of the month is to be gauged by the ten days which have already elapsed, he will before the first of April have received and answered over 8000 letters. A very small proportion of these relate to his private business affairs. The bulk of them are from office seekers, and these are not by any means confined to the state of Ohio, but include nearly every state in the union. His position as chairman of the Republican national committee and his well known personal friendship with President McKinley have caused people everywhere to write him letters begging for his assistance in obtaining for them the offices they seek.

Conspired to Steal Lincoln's Body.

Santa Fe, N. M., March 13.—Terrence Mullen died suddenly while at work in a mine of the southern part of Santa Fe county a few days ago. He was a former citizen of Illinois, and in 1865 formed a conspiracy to steal Abraham Lincoln's body from the grave and hold it for a ransom. For this he served a term in the Illinois state prison. In 1888 he became involved in land frauds at San Marcial and was sent to the territorial penitentiary for two years.

Russia Still for Coercion.

Vienna, March 13.—Russia has sent a note to the other powers proposing that each immediately send 2000 troops to Crete to compel the Greek troops to withdraw.

Barry the English Actor Dead.

London, March 13.—Spiel Barry, the actor, died in this city this morning.

NEW JUDICIAL DISTRICT BILL.

Apportionment Measure Previously Prepared Proves Unsatisfactory.

Springfield, Ill., March 13.—Another judicial apportionment bill has been fixed up, this time by the joint subcommittee of the house and senate committees on judicial apportionment. The bill agreed upon by the senators the fore part of the week proved unsatisfactory to some of the members, and upon further consideration it was decided to make a number of important changes. The bill as now prepared will be submitted to the two full committees, and without much doubt will go into the house and senate without further change.

Senator Warder, chairman of the senate committee, said last evening that the bill was entirely satisfactory to all the Democratic members of the subcommittee, and would no doubt meet the approval of most of the Democrats of both houses.

In that event it will be passed with the emergency clause. The judical circuits created by this bill are as follows:

First—Massac, Alexander, Pope, Union, Saline, Williamson, Jackson, Johnson, Pulaski.

Second—Hardin, Gallatin, White, Hamilton, Franklin, Jefferson, Wayne, Edwards, Wabash, Lawrence, Richland, Crawford.

Third—Randolph, Perry, Washington, Monroe, St. Clair, Madison, Bond.

Fourth—Clinton, Marion, Clay, Jasper, Effingham, Fayette, Montgomery, Shelby, Christian.

Fifth—Cumberland, Clark, Coles, Edgar, Vermilion.

Sixth—Moultrie, Douglas, Champaign, Piatt, Macon, DeWitt.

Seventh—Macoupin, Jersey, Greene, Scott, Mogan, Sangamon.

Eighth—Adams, Schuyler, Brown, Pike, Calhoun.

Ninth—Hancock, McDonough, Fulton, Knox, Warren, Henderson.

Tenth—Peoria, Stark, Marshall, Tazewell.

Eleventh—Logan, McLean, Ford, Livingston, Woodford.

Twelfth—Will, Kankakee, Iroquois.

Thirteenth—Bureau, LaSalle, Grundy.

Fourteenth—Mercer, Henry, Rock Island, Whiteside.

Fifteenth—Lee, Ogle, Carroll, Jo Daviess, Stevenson.

Sixteenth—Kendall, Dupage, Kane, De Kalb.

Seventeenth—Winnebago, Boone, McHenry, Lake.

DENTIST RUIZ'S WIDOW.

Called with an Interpreter Upon Secretary Sherman and the President.

Washington, March 13.—Mrs. Ruiz, widow of the dentist who was found dead in his cell in Guanaabcoa, Cuba, called at the state department yesterday and met Secretary Sherman. The meeting had been previously arranged by a woman friend of the widow. Mrs. Ruiz was accompanied by her friend, who acted as interpreter, and by her five children, all dressed in the deepest morning.

Secretary Sherman received the party in his private office and listened with sympathetic interest to Mrs. Ruiz's representations. She did not go into the details of her husband's death; indeed, she was unable to do so for want of more than hearsay evidence herself as to the main points. It was, however, her purpose to have all the facts officially disclosed, and in this she sought the good offices of the state department. She also expressed her intention of preferring a claim upon the Spanish government for indemnity for the killing of her husband.

Secretary Sherman listened for ten or fifteen minutes to the statements of Mrs. Ruiz, and then, without committing himself, suggested that she reduce her statement to writing and submit it to the department, which might thus use it as a basis for an investigation.

Mrs. Ruiz later called at the White House, at 1:15 o'clock, accompanied by her children. They waited for a time in the east room, and were then shown to the president's office, where they remained for some time. The interpreter was present to communicate her story to the president.

Public Meeting.

There will be a public meeting at Chronister's hall, corner of Broadway and Central avenue, Monday night, at 7:30 where there will be speaking from good speakers in the interest of labor and also good music. All are invited to attend. The speakers will be David Hutchison, Jesse L. Deck and W. H. Black.

Refuses to Build Cruisers.

Berlin, March 13.—The request of the government for a credit of a sum for which to build new cruisers was rejected by budget committee of the reichstag.

Weekly Bank Statement.

New York, March 13.—The weekly bank statement shows: Reserve, decrease, $2,693,000; banks hold, $53,863,000 in excess of legal requirements.

Miners Strike.

Huntington, Pa., March 13.—Five hundred bituminous coal miners at Dudley struck for an advance of wages.

FELL FORTY FEET.

A Georgia Train Falls Through a Trestle Into the Etowah River.

TWO KILLED AND THREE INJURED.

Forty Fishermen Carried Out on an Ice Floe Thought to be Beyond a Possibility of Rescue.

Rome, Ga., March 13.—A mixed passenger and freight train from Chattanooga went through a trestle forty feet high over the Etowah river early this morning. Five freight cars and a baggage car and smoker fell to the ground. The engine plunged into the river and Engineer James T. Pittman and Fireman Alfred Kennedy were fatally hurt, and two other trainmen and three passengers were injured. The wreck took fire but the fire department rescued those imprisoned in the burning cars and extinguished the flames.

FISHERMEN IN DANGER.

Carried Out on Ice Floes—They Have Little Chances of Escape.

Bay City, Mich., March 13.—Ice floes on which a number of fishermen were carried out into the bay yesterday are rapidly breaking up, and if any of the men remain on the ice their chances of rescue are small. Of fifty or more fishermen from this place less than a dozen have returned. Their friends are frantic.

CERTAIN TO BE A FIGHT.

Corbett and Fitzsimmons Agree to Abide by Siler's Rules.

Carson, Nev., March 13.—A long conference, which at times nearly resulted in the spoiling of the chances of the big fight being pulled off, was held yesterday between Martin Julian representing Fitzsimmons and William A. Brady for Corbett, over the construction put on the Marquis of Queensbury rules, and the end was that Julian, after objecting strenuously upon the right of the referee making any ruling whatever before the men entered the ring and against the hitting with one arm free, and in breakaways, gave way entirely and consented that the men should hit with the one free arm and on the breakaways. The fight will, therefore be fought in accordance with the interpretation of the Marquis of Queensbury rules made by Referee Siler.

It was at times a stormy conference and time and again the smash-up was perilously near and time and again it was only averted by the most narrow margins. Brady at the outset took the stand that Corbett was willing to abide by the decision of the referee, no matter what the decision might be. The champion, he said, was willing to fight just as Siler said.

Julian, on the other hand, maintained that there was no right vested in the referee to make any ruling whatever until the men were ready to fight. He claimed Fitzsimmons had always fought "a good, fair, square fight and in all his fights the hitting has been both arms free and that all breakaways should be clean. Corbett, he said, had won the championship of the world in a fight conducted under such conditions, and methods which were good enough to win the championship were good enough to defend it.

NEW LIGHT—THE OTHER SIDE

Acetylene Gas Discussed Again—No Danger at All.

In the Republican of a recent issue there was a statement about acetylene gas and how it was regarded by insurance companies. The following letter is an answer to some of the statements:

Chicago, March 12, 1897.

Mr. M. F. McNelly, Decatur, Ill., Dear Sir: Have noticed an article in the Decatur Evening Republican, headed, "Acetylene gas—Insurance men will cancel policies on buildings where the new machines are kept."

We do not wish to enter into any newspaper controversy on this subject, but as the article might be misleading, we feel that it is but proper to reply to same, stating the facts as we find them.

It is true, that the subject of acetylene gas has been before the board of underwriters in Chicago for some time, and as yet they have not made any decision in the matter, either for or against. There are at the present time, acetylene generators in use in the following large buildings in Chicago: The Monadnock building, Fisher building, Boylston building, Rookery building, Roanoke building and several other large buildings, besides numerous stores, residences, etc., throughout the country, and we know of no case, where insurance has been withdrawn.

Acetylene if properly handled and controlled, is considered by thinking men and those who have investigated the subject, to be far safer than the ordinary gasoline stoves, which are in use in the greater number of our homes.

Perhaps Mr. Oldham has confounded this form of acetylene with the liquified process, which has been ruled against by insurance companies, simply on account of the very high pressure under which it is held to maintain its liquid form.

In fact, as stated above, we know of hundreds of places where acetylene is used, and do not know of one instance where an insurance policy has been cancelled on account of it. Yours Resp.,

Eclipse Manufacturing Co.,
By M. A. McCune.

FINAL EXAMINATION.

Held This Morning by Superintendent Keller at the High School—Almost Four Hundred Pupils Examined

At the high school today Superintendent Keller held final examinations for the pupils of the country schools of Macon county. The pupils of the fifth, seventh and ninth grades, who has passed the central examinations were eligible for the finals. There were 303 pupils of the seventh grade, 75 of the ninth grade and 5 of the tenth grade, 383 in all who took the examinations.

The studies in the common branches which the pupils were examined in were reading, writing, arithmetic, spelling, geograhy, grammar, history and oration. The ninth grade pupils were examined in algebra, general history, botany and physiology, and the tenth grade pupils in algebra, zoology, physics and general history. The examinations began at 8 o'clock this morning and continued until 3 this afternoon. The papers will be marked and the results announced probably the first week in April. The teachers who assisted Superintendent Keller were Charles Sharp, John Wicks, M. E. Lockhart, Lida Smallwood, Mrs. Keller, J. Keller, S. S. Mounts and W. E. Slater. The examination for passage from one grade to another and for competition.

The pupils are required to have an average of 80 or better to pass.

DECATUR MAN GOT IT.

Governor Tanner Appoints Arthur Gallagher to a Clerkship in the Adjutant General's Office.

Lieutenant Arthur Gallagher of this city, has received an appointment to a clerkship in the adjutant general's office at Springfield. He received a letter today from Governor Tanner stating that the fight for the office had been decided in his favor and ordering him to report for duty the first of April. The appointment is a good one and pays a salary of $100 per month. There has been a large number of applicants for the office and the lucky man is greatly pleased that he is the favored man.

Arthur Gallagher is well known in this city. He is the son of the late Judge Gallagher and Mrs. Rachael Gallagher Brown, wife of Dr. Benjamin Brown of Chicago. Arthur has served in the national guard for a number of years. He was second lieutenant of Co. H and recently was elected to the office of first lieutenant of that company. He has many friends in the city who will be pleased to hear of his good fortune. Gallagher's father-in-law, Dr. Brown, carried on the fight for him. The doctor took the matter in hand several months ago and although there was a great deal of competition he made a successful fight.

MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 13, 1897.

The REPUBLICAN is indebted to S. Z. Taylor, dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondents in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis for the following market quotations

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—				
March	—	—	—	72⅝
May	72⅝	73½	72⅛	73⅛
July	71	71⅞	70⅝	71⅜
Corn—				
March	—	—	—	28⅝
May	24⅞	24⅞	24⅛	24⅜
July	25⅛	25⅛	25⅛	25⅛
Oats—				
March	—	—	—	16⅛
May	17⅞	17⅞	17⅛	17⅛
July	18⅛	18⅛	18⅛	18⅛
Pork—				
March	—	—	—	—
May	8.55	8.62½	8.55	8.60
Lard—				
March	—	—	—	—
May	4.25	4.27½	4.25	4.25
Ribs—				
March	—	—	—	—
May	4.60	4.65	4.60	4.62

May wheat: puts, 72⅝c; calls, 74⅛c; curb 73⅛c.

TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—CAR LOTS.

Wheat—19. Estimated, 20. Year ago, 33.

Corn—80; Estimated, 125; a year ago, 262.

Oats—325; Estimated, 200, a year ago, 270.

ESTIMATES FOR MONDAY.

Wheat, 17; Corn, 110; oats, 200.

Hog receipts 9,000; estimated, 14,000. Market strong to 5c higher.

Light. $3.75@$4.00; Mixed, $3 70@$3.92; Heavy $3.70@$3 92; Rough $3.50@3.60.

Estimated for to-morrow, (Monday), 27,000.

Cattle receipts, 800. Market steady.

NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Wheat, May, 79⅛c; Corn, May, 30c, oats, May, 21⅛c.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Butter, steady, creamery, 13@19c; Eggs, steady, 11c.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

ST. LOUIS, March 13.—Wheat, cash, 93c; May, 69c; Corn, cash 20⅝; May, 21; Oats, cash, 17c; May, 18.

GEN. JOHN B. GORDAN.

How the Confederate General and Veteran was Received at Boston by the G. A. R.

General John B. Gordon, who was one of the bravest and best marshals under General R. E. Lee, and who is to deliver his famous lecture, "The Last Days of the Confederacy," at the Grand opera house in Decatur, March 29, has endeared himself to Grand Army men and other patriots all over the north by the magnificent patriotism he portrays in his lecture. The Boston Daily Globe speaking of a recent lecture delivered in Boston by General Gordon says:

General John B. Gordon, senator-soldier, bullet-scarred veteran and brilliant orator, "Gordon of Georgia," stood on the platform of Music hall last evening, surrounded by nearly 100 Grand Army boys, and spoke to a vast audience on "The Last Days of the Confederacy." The general told his story of battle and carnage in the most fascinating manner. His glowing words, with flashes here and there of wit, humor and pathos. He spoke for two hours, but at 10:15, when he hinted to stop, the great audience shouted "Go on!" It was a great address, great for its abundant human nature, for its grand devotion to the flag, and for its tributes to the men who fought and died for what they believed to be the truth. General Gordon has a fine presence on the platform. He is tall, not stout or massive, has a refined appearance, and a gentle yet expressive speech. His finely shaped head is but sparsely covered with hair, the top of his head being quite bald. He has a neatly cut mustache and chin beard, now snowy white. His gestures are dignified, and at times, when excited by the recital of some thrilling war story, he stands in a most commanding attitude, with one foot forward, his shoulders back, his head erect and his arms stretched wide as he thunders forth his magnificent words. General Gordon closed with a magnificent eulogy of the flag, and he sat down amid a storm of huzzas from the people. After the oration he was surrounded by the G. A. R. men and shaken warmly by the hand and greeted as an old comrade. It was an affecting scene, and the audience caught its spirit, for they gathered around the platform and joined in the welcome.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Official Report.

Decatur, Ill., March 11, 97.

Present: Mrs. Mary E. Haworth. Messrs. James F. Roach and the clerk, E. A. Gastman.

Absent: David S. Shellabarger.

The minutes of the last monthly meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report for the month of February, 1897, was compared and approved.

The superintendent's report of the receipts and expenditures of the tuition fund for the month of February, 1897, was compared and approved.

The following bills were allowed and the clerk was directed to draw orders to pay the same:

E. A. Gastman, supt., $5.75; A. Miller, $1.63; Decatur Gas Light and Coke Co., $8.51; Field & Wilson, $1.25; A. J. Wallace, $23.29; George R. Bacon & Co., $2.21; J. H. Bevans, $27; G. V. Loring, $5; J. W. Reed, $50; Nellie H. Love, $9; Decaur Coal Co., $79.94; Fleming Gray, 75c; Rand, McNally & Co., $30; H. Mueller Gun Co., $2.40; Citizens' Mutual Telephone Co., $49.50; Eagle Pencil Co., $10.25; Lena Ullrich, $9; Herman Spies, $12.50.

Permission was granted to the teachers to attend a meeting of the central Illinois teachers' association at Galesburg March 26.

The principal of the high school, Mr. J. J. Sheppard, asked permission to use Bryce's abridged American Commonwealth in the senior class for the reviews in United States history and civil government. On motion he was authorized to use it for the present year.

Permission was granted to the teachers who were associated in our schools with Miss Belle Fulton to attend her funeral tomorrow. On motion adjourned.

Mary E. Haworth, president, pro tem.
E. A. Gastman, clerk.

The Great Eastern Tea Co. has leased of W. T. Wells the store room next door west of their present location and will occupy it as soon as the new front and other improvements are completed.

Seed Distribution.

New seed store, complete stock, fresh garden, field and flower seeds. Leon & Morris, 138 East Wood street.—9-dw&tf

To Stop a Cold in 30 Minutes.

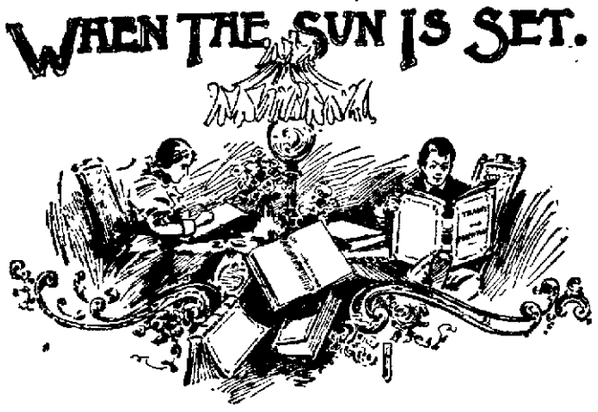
Take Contra-Cold Tablets, guaranteed or money refunded by all druggists, 30c.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure

Celebrated for its great leavening strength and healthfulness. Assures the food against alum and all forms of adulteration common to the cheap brands. ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

WHEN THE SUN IS SET.



FAMOUS CHORISTER.

Youngster Whose Singing Has Astonished New York Churchgoers.

Harry Chauncey Smith, 13 years old, is the name of one of the most famous singers in New York city. When a toddling child four or five years of age he used to sing every song he heard, and later began to pick out his accompaniment on the piano with one hand; but on these occasions, when trying to "play like a lady," he would allow only his sister to be present. He would coax her into the parlor, shut the door, and then beg to have the piano opened. After this was done he would stand by the instrument for hours, singing hymns he had learned at Sunday school and finding the notes to suit.

When Harry was nine years old his parents moved to New York city, and he became one of the chorister boys at All Angels' Protestant Episcopal church. Two years later he, with several of his young companions, were transferred to the choir of Grace church. Here Harry's health improved, his voice gained sweetness and power, and he found himself one of the most famous boys in his country.

He is a sweet-faced, delicate-looking lad, with large gray-blue eyes and short blond hair. He is small for his age, and

HARRY CHAUNCEY SMITH.

has particularly sweet, gentle manners, though he rides a bicycle and is devoted to dogs and flowers.

Speaking of this his sister says: "It would be hard to tell which he likes the most—music or flowers. He will spend all his money on flowers, and do all sorts of imprudent things for the sake of his music. One day during a dreadful snowstorm he had a practice at the church, and it seemed impossible to keep him at home, although he had a bad cold. So we sent out for a carriage, and, of course, it took some little time. All the while I had to be most positive in refusing to allow him to start out before it came. Next to music, I think he likes arithmetic and history, though until quite recently he has disliked the former, because I suppose he has just begun to understand it. During the summer months the whole family go to Canada, and Harry spends the holidays rollicking like other boys. Music and books are forbidden, so he takes long rides through the country on his wheel, goes boating and fishing on the lakes, or runs wild through the woods, with his dogs. Each fall he comes home a trifle taller and healthier looking, ready to work hard with his music and books." At the Christmas service of Grace church he sang a solo: "Hear Ye O Israel." It was the first time the piece had ever been sung by a boy, and had he never done anything else the rendition of that piece would have made him famous.

His salary is ten dollars per week; his chorister clothes are given him, as well as free tuition in music.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

An Amusing Egg Trick.

Here is a trick that will amuse you. Puncture the shell of a raw egg with a pin, and through the hole thus made extract the contents. When the shell has become dry pour fine sand through the pinhole until the egg is about one-fourth filled. Then seal up the hole with white wax, and your imitation egg will be as natural in appearance as a real one. Then tell your companions that you can make an egg obey your slightest wish, standing on the edge of a knife, the rim of a glass, or whatever you will. Of course, no one will believe you, but you can prove you are right. The only secret is to tap the egg gently every time you change its position, so that the sand will settle at the bottom, and keep the egg upright in just the position you wish.

It Was Different.

"Yes," said Archie, "I should admire to be a soldier, to carry a sword and gun and lead my men through fastnesses in the mountains, where the enemy lie concealed two to our one, and we would die like heroes with our boots on."

"Archie," said his mother, "go into the woodshed and get an armful of kindling."

"Will you hold the light, mamma?"

"What do you want of a light?" inquired his mother.

"I'm a-f-r-a-i-d."—Chicago Record.

LIVELY BEAR STORY.

How Lizzie Perkins Protected Her Honey with an Umbrella.

Lizzie Perkins, 12 years old, has suddenly acquired local fame. Like many other children who were born and reared in the Adirondacks, Lizzie is not afraid of bears unless the animals become threatening. On more than one occasion Lizzie has come across bears when playing, but never until the other day was she molested by one. It happened that Lizzie was on her way from the house of a distant relative to her own home. Lizzie carried a pot of honey under one arm and an umbrella under the other.

As is well known, bears possess an almost unconquerable liking for honey. They love honey almost as much as they do life, and will run risks to get their paws in the sweet stuff. Bruin came ambling awkwardly after Lizzie. The child had no thoughts of bears, and it was not until she heard a snort at her elbow that she turned and saw the black bear. There was nothing particularly ferocious looking about the animal. As Lizzie turned around the bear stumbled backward after the fashion of a clumsy Newfoundland dog. Then it sat upon its haunches and eyed the child.

It did not take Lizzie long to guess that the bear was after the honey. She knew well that she could escape the bear's claws by putting down the honey and running off. But Lizzie wasn't that kind of a girl. She meant to keep the honey and outwit the bear.

She carefully placed the pot of honey on the ground. Then she opened the umbrella, and, with a shrill cry, darted at the bear, waving her unique weapon in the most threatening manner. The bear, taken by surprise, tumbled over backward, and then, scrambling to his feet, fled ingloriously up the trail. Lizzie picked up her pot of honey and started home. Soon she saw the bear jogging after her. She again opened the umbrella and resorted to the same tactics as before. Again the bear ran away, this time for good. Lizzie told the story of her adventure when she reached home. She is now being praised for her presence of mind.—N. Y. Press.

A MONKEY WHEELMAN.

The Tiny Simian Enjoys a Spin as Much as His Master.

Not content with having a dog, a cat, white rats, rabbits, turtles and other pets, Aleck Munchweiler, a down-town boy, purchased a monkey a few weeks ago. Because of the little animal's penchant for drinking water from a hydrant, he has been named Spigots. Spigots has developd a mania for cycling. His master has arranged a little seat on the front of the wheel, and here the monkey sits, dressed in a pair of red bloomers. The queer pair were out on their wheel the other day and attracted much attention. Spigots enjoyed himself hugely, and looked with disdain on the dogs that barked as he rode by.

FRIGHTENED BY BAD DOGS.

All went well until the wheelman got as far as Broad and Wharton street, and there Spigots attempted to stand up in his seat, getting frightened at two vicious-looking canines, which were springing up at him. The result was that he fell and had his right foot run over. Aleck took him to a nearby drug store and had the wounded part bandaged with care. Spigots now presents a queer sight, sitting on the front step, with his arm in a sling, and at the sight of a wheel runs into the house crying piteously.—Philadelphia Record.

Maori Girl's Swimming Feat.

A story of a plucky girl comes from far-off New Zealand. A Maori girl, aged 16, was crossing Lake Taupo in a canoe, and the occupants were left struggling in the water. It was impossible to right the canoe, but the girl did not lose her self-possession. She placed the children as securely as possible on the bottom of the boat, and then, slipping off her wet skirts, she took the towing rope in her teeth and swam to the shore, with the canoe and its precious cargo. All Maori girls are powerful swimmers, and the feat would hardly have been possible to a girl of another nation.

Sleep in Stone Beds.

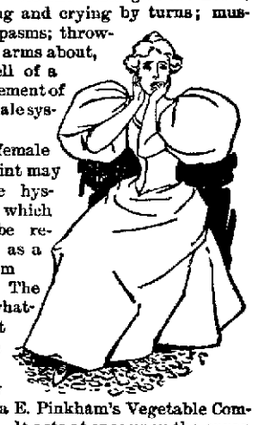
"Tell me something peculiar to Vermont?" said the teacher. "Dey all sleep in stone beds," said Hans. "Why, how do you know that?" asked the teacher. "The book say 'great beds of rock is found dere.'"—Chicago Record.

HYSTERICS.

Women Should Understand This Strange Nervous Derangement.

A Symptom of Something Far More Serious—Mrs. Barris, of Beaver Springs, Relates Her Experience.

The spasm at top of wind-pipe, or in bronchial tubes, the "ball rising in the throat," violent beating of the heart; laughing and crying by turns; muscular spasms; throwing the arms about, etc., tell of a derangement of the female system.



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Mrs. Barris relates her experience for the benefit of others.

"I had been sick with ulceration of the womb, causing all kinds of disagreeable experiences, such as irritability, sleeplessness, faintness, and at times hysterics. My physician said it was the worst case he ever had. My back ached, leucorrhœa very profuse, and I had a severe bearing-down pain. The physicians thought I should never recover, and as the last remedy, they procured your Vegetable Compound. I had not taken more than one-fourth of a bottle, before I was more comfortable. I continued its use, also the Sanative Wash, and Liver Pills. After using four bottles, I was able to be out, and do almost all my work. I think the Vegetable Compound is the only medicine that will cure female complaints, and it will reach the worst cases in a very short time. I know it saved my life"—MRS. M. BARRIS, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania. All druggists.

Republican City Convention.

A Republican City Convention will be held at Abbott's Hall, West Prairie avenue, in Decatur, on Wednesday, March 31, 1897, at 8 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the following offices, to wit:

Mayor, City Clerk, City Attorney and City Treasurer, to be voted for at the city election to be held on Tuesday, April 20, 1897, and also to elect a city central committee.

The ward representation in said convention will be one delegate for every twenty five votes cast for D. H. Conklin for mayor in 1895, and one vote for each fraction of thirteen votes and over, and will be as follows:

1st Ward	12	Delegates.
2d Ward	11	"
3d Ward	12	"
4th Ward	13	"
5th Ward	9	"
6th Ward	13	"
7th Ward	7	"
Total	77	Delegates.

The polls at the primaries in the respective wards will be open at 5 o'clock p. m. Tuesday, March 30, 1897, and will close at 8 p. m. of said day, and all Republicans are requested to attend said primaries in their respective wards between said hours, and by ballot express their choice of candidates for city offices, and any candidate receiving the greatest number of votes in any ward shall receive the votes of the delegates of such ward in the convention.

Immediately after said polls are closed, the voters being assembled for that purpose, delegates will be selected to the city convention, and a central committeeman from each ward will be elected to serve for the next two years, and candidates for aldermen will be nominated by ballot in each ward. The primaries and ward conventions will be held in the respective wards at the following places:

1st Ward—at Street Car barn, E. North street.
2d Ward—at W. H. Starr's Wholesale House.
3d Ward—at Doake's Wagon Yard.
4th Ward—City Council Room, Court House.
5th Ward—At George Kraft's Bottling Works.
6th Ward—Foster's Store, corner Condit and Broadway.
7th Ward—at Hendricks' Shop.

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Ladies' Spring Capes, all wool broadcloth, braid trimmed, silk lined, at.....$3.95 each
Ladies' Silk and Velvet Capes, jet trimmed, ribbon and chiffon collars, silk lined, at.....$5.95 each

LADIES' SUITS.

One lot Ladies' Suits, all wool cheviot, black, navy blue and brown mixed, Eton or Blazer Jacket, a bargain at.....$5.95 suit

Ladies' Suits, in black and navy blue serge, Eton or Blazer Jacket, braid trimmed, silk lined, at.....$7.50 and $10.00 suit

DRESS SKIRTS.

One lot Ladies' Skirts, black figured brilliantine, at.....$1.48 each
One lot Fancy Check Skirts, all colors, at.....$2.50 each
One lot Black Brilliantine Skirts, plain, figured or crepon effects, percaline lined, at.....$3.95 each
One lot Ladies' Skirts, black figured gros grain silk, nine gored, percaline lined, a bargain at $10.00, now.....$6.95 each

CHILDRENS' SUITS.

One lot Children's Suits, blue clay serge, braid trimmed, sizes from 6 to 14 years, at.....$6.50 suit
One lot Children's Suits, fancy checked novelty goods, Eton jacket, at.....$7.50 suit

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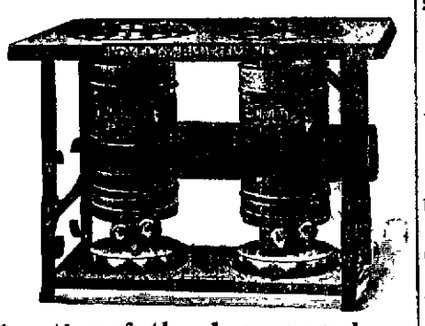

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Tender roast beef with brown gravy served at noon daily at Singleton's restaurant.—Oct21tf

No better soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Riverton. Lincoln is the hardest of any coal within 100 miles of Decatur and the harder the coal the longer it will burn. Hard coal all sizes, always in stock at market price. Up town office, Irwin's drug store, office and yard 800 North Broadway, old phone 433, new phone 435. M. F. Metz.—31-dtf

Ladies' and Children's made-up dresses, cloaks and capes chemically dyed, cleaned and pressed with ripping apart. Chenile and Portier Curtains dyed and dry cleaned, at Miller's Steam Dye House and Dry Cleaning Works, 145 N. Main street

The American Land company who own large tracts of land around Houston and Galveston in the La Porte country of Texas have made arrangements for a special tourist sleeper from St. Louis to La Porte to leave St. Louis Wednesday, March 17. The use of the car will be free to all buy tickets to the La Porte country. One fare plus $2 for the round trip. For particulars call on C. A. Pollok, P. and T. A., Wabash railroad.—5 d to 17.

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CAUGHT THE ROBBERS.

The Decatur Blood Hound Follows the Trail of the Men Who Robbed the Elliott Post Office.

Yesterday afternoon Israel Florey arrived home from Elliott, Ill., where he went with the Decatur blood hound Rattler to track the men who robbed the postoffice and depot on Wednesday night. It was the first time the dog had a chance to track a burglar and he was successful in bringing about the capture of the two men who confessed to the crime. When it was learned that a robbery had occurred the officials at Elliott sent for the dog and he was taken to Elliott Thursday night. The chase began early Friday morning. One of the burglars had cut his finger in opening the door of the postoffice and there were several little spots of blood on the money till. The dog was allowed to smell this and then took up the trail. The trail was about a mile long and was twenty-five hours old. There had been a hard rain and the water and mud made the work more difficult but the dog followed the trail until the men were caught. One of the burglars was Louis Stonger. When captured he was in an old house which had once been a hotel. The stolen property was found in a garret of the house. There were seven watches, a dozen razors, six boxes of cigars, a lot of postage stamps and about $35 in money. The other man, Max Golbreath, was traced to his mother's home and there arrested. Deputy Sheriff Robbins, of Paxton, went with Florey and the dog and made the arrests. Both men confessed to the robbery. They were required to give bond of $1500 each, but as they were unable to do so they were taken to Paxton to be placed in jail and await the action of the grand jury.

Roy Bandure and Israel Florey, the owners of the dog, feel greatly pleased at Rattler's first attempt. The dog has been in training for some time and has always been able to follow a trail when given a fair start so the owners felt quite confident that he would make a success.

THE OBERLY RECEPTION.

A Pleasant Social Affair at the English Lutheran Church.

Last night the members of the Lutheran League and the willing workers gave a very pleasant reception at the First English Lutheran church for the pastor, Rev. Frank C. Oberly and his bride. There was a large attendance of the congregation and all gave the happy bride and groom a most cordial greeting. Mrs. Oberly won many friends at once and all welcomed her heartily to the church membership and to Decatur. This program was given during the evening:

Prayer—Rev. Marion Stevenson.

Piano Solo, "May Breezes"—Miss Lillian Post.

Vocal Solo, "April and September"—Miss Lucile Myers.

Piano Solo, "Dance of the Druids"—Miss Mabel Smick.

Violin Duet, "How Can I Leave Thee?"—Bertha Troutman and Olga Keck.

Piano Solo, "Lapence Rustique"—Miss Minnie Myers.

Piano Duet, "Militiare Gallop"—Misses Post and Stonecifer.

Quartet, "I Would if I Could"—Misses Deck and Myers, and Messrs. James and Arthur Spence.

All of the participants were enthusiastically applauded. Light refreshments were served.

Appreciation.

A writer of exceptionally good sense has said, "We remember the quality long after the price is forgotten."

A trinket, a garment, an article of furniture, a musical instrument, a carriage, anything we buy, becomes a perpetual pleasure; if it is right. Whatever the extra cost, we congratulate ourselves, a thousand times over, that we paid for it, and made sure of the thing we enjoy.

Fine quality in bicycles costs a trifle more in the original purchase price, but lasts three times as long as the less expensive ones, is always a source of pride, comfort and pleasure. The Cleveland has since its introduction to the public, been the most popular and satisfactory wheel on the market. This year they show the same progress as heretofore, and have on the market, the best bicycle possible to build. We will be very glad to show you the full line of 1897 models. Their beautiful finish speaks for itself, and the quality of workmanship is well known in this city where they have been leaders for the last five years.

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—8-dtf H. Mueller Gun Co.

Cyclones.

Rev. Iri Hicks predicted the great St. Louis cyclone and says now that disastrous storm may be expected during March, April and May. Property owners should heed this warning and take out cyclone insurace. The cost is so little that you cannot afford to do without it. Kuny, Johns & Strohm, 124 North Water street, will write you a policy while you wait in the best American companies. Don't delay.—8-d1w

Quinine.

Special low prices at West's drug store:
Powers & Weightman, ounce....50 cents
German, ounce..... 40 cents
2-grain pills, 100.....25 cents
Gum camphor, pound.....50 cents

Seed Distribution.

New seed store, complete stock, fresh garden, field and flower seeds Leon & Morris, 138 East Wood street.—9-dw&tf

Salt mackerel for Lent, 5, 10 and 25 cent. Smoked halibut, white carmoty bloaters. Pearl Oyster and Fish company, telephone 344.—9-d1w

At the Home of Constable Miller.

Miss Nellie Miller, daughter of Constable and Mrs. Fred Miller, was fifteen years of age Friday and during the evening there was a celebration party at her home on North Morgan street. There were indoor games, music, refreshments and a jolly good time. Those present were Misses Agnes Randolph, Grace Martin, Pearl Keyes, Sadie Newton, Bertha Stultz, Carrie and Sadie Friis, Gertie and Flo Waecherle and Lois Sibley, Charley Keyes, Earle Rundell, Chester Willoughby, Frank Grout, Roy Sanner and Earle Ruehl.

Dwelling Destroyed by Fire.

The residence of Harry Fish, east of Decatur less than two miles on the William street road, was destroyed by fire yesterday. The fire started by a lamp being accidentally overturned in the sitting room and in spite of everything that could be done to prevent the spread of the flames the house and the greater part of the contents were destroyed. The house contained seven rooms and with the furniture, nearly all of which was destroyed, will occasion a loss of $2500. The insurance on the property was less than $1000. The dwelling was formerly owned by Mr. Prather, and was sold a few years ago by W. W. Scudder to Mr. Fish.

At Rest in Greenwood.

Superintendent Gastman, many of the teachers of the public schools and scores of former pupils of the deceased attended the funeral of the late Miss Isabel Fulton, which took place from the residence of her mother, Mrs George W. Fulton, Friday afternoon. Many beautiful floral tributes were sent and the services conducted by Rev. W. H. Penhallegon, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, were deeply impressive. Appropriate music was rendered by a quartet composed of Mrs. Will Hostetler, Mrs. Robert Mueller, C. W. Montgomery and George Dunston. The pall bearers were Oliver McKenzie, A. L. Lytle, Robert Mueller, E. W. Heilman, William Roberts and William Huff. The interment was at Greenwood.

Pythian School of Instruction.

Hon. John D. Benedict, grand chancellor of the Illinois Knights of Pythias, will hold a Pythian school of instruction at Shelbyville on the afternoon and night of March 17. In the afternoon there will be an exemplification of the secret work and to a discussion of the Pythian law. One or two ranks will be conferred at the night session. Short addresses will be delivered by prominent members of the order. It is the purpose of Grand Chancellor Benedict to hold similar meetings at different points throughout the state, the purpose of which will be to stir up livelier interest in the order and enable the brethren to become more thoroughly familiar with the secret work and Pythian laws. An invitation has been extended the two Decatur lodges to send a delegation to Shelbyville.

The Best Design.

Miss Maud Dillehunt, daughter of Mrs. W. T. Dillehunt, was awarded the first prize in competition with thirty-five other high school pupils, for designing the neatest cover for a lot of drawings in the office of Superintendent Gastman. The judges were Mrs. E. A. Gastman, Miss Laura Johns and Miss Eunice R. Drennan. The design submitted by Miss Dillehunt is a neatly drawn and artistic border of morning glory leaves. It is conventional and stylish. It is simple, but the effect is good. In the center is a square white space in which is the word in plain letters, "Nature." The designs were in lead pencil. Now Miss Dillehunt will execute her design in pen and ink and it will be put on the collection of papers. The second best design was the one presented by Samuel Newell.

High School News.

Last night at the regular meeting of the Alpha Beta society at the high school this program was observed:

Reading—Austin Fox.
Original Story—Maurice Williams.
Reading—Leonard Michael.
Recitation—Harry Garver.
Essay—Glen Pilcher.
Debate—"Resolved, That the proper way the deal with the Indians is to break up the tribes and give them the rights of citizenship." Orville Billington spoke on the affirmative of the question and the subject was then open to the society for discussion. Those speaking were Lee Boland, Charles Ewing, Delos Cozad, Fred Grout, Glen Pilcher and Wayne Williams. Mr. Westerman gave the boys some interesting facts in regard to Indians at college.

Fred Neidermeyer gave the critic's report.

An election of officers was held resulting as follows:

President—James Montgomery.
Vice President—Frank Lindsay.
Secretary—Allan Gleason.
Treasurer—Fred Neidermeyer.
Marshal—Ralph Mills.

The Sapphonian literary society held its regular weekly meeting yesterday afternoon and the following program was given:

Piano Solo—Jessie Nichols.
Recitation—Katie Hunt.
Piano Solo—Lucile Bonbrake.
Vocal Solo—Eva Jeffers.
Piano Solo—Grace Johnson.

Officers Elected.

The following officers elected at a meeting of the Briar Missionary society: President, Mrs. H. B. Lewis; vice president, Mrs. J. K. Love; secretary, Mrs. G. D. Flack; treasurer, Mrs. B. M. Dennis.

THE P. D. & E. SALE.

What A. G. Palmer Has to Say About the Situation—The Law.

Mr. A. G. Palmer, the well known general freight and passenger agent of the Peoria, Decatur & Evansville railway, was in Peoria this week and in conversation with a Transcript railroad man the subject of the reported foreclosure and sale of that road was introduced. Mr. Palmer stated that while there was a great deal being said about the P., D. & E. and the foreclosure recently made by the holders of the second mortgage bonds, there was no prospect of the road being sold within a year at least. The action taken was merely a formal step in previous matters concerning the road, and has no significance. To sell the road at this time he said would not be advisable and he was not of the opinion that the interested parties would do anything that would not be for their best interests.

Of Interest of Passengers.

In Massachusetts an employe of a railroad, riding on its train as a passenger, is not a free passenger, though his ticket is such as the company issues only to its employes working in Boston, and living at some other place on its line.

In New York a railroad which permits the construction of an inclined track from a stone quarry down to, and partly on, the railroad line, is liable for the negligence of the quarryman operating cars on such inclined track, by which a passenger on the railroad is injured; and the fact that the negligent act which caused the injury was performed on the land of the quarryman is immaterial.

In Illinois it is held that a common carrier is not liable for a loss of baggage occasioned by an unforeseen and unprecedented flood, though the flood would not have been encountered but for the carrier's delay.

In Georgia it is ruled that a railroad ticket entitling a designated person to a stated number of single continuous trips, for each of which a separate coupon is attached, "between" two specified stations, and stipulating that "passage shall be taken only on such trains as stop at the above named stations," and also that "this ticket shall be good only for continuous trips between" these stations, confers upon that person, upon surrendering one of the coupons, the right to ride from an intermediate station to either of the two stations mentioned in the ticket, or from either of those stations to the intermediate station, provided he boards a passenger train which, upon its regular schedule, stops, not only at the two specified stations, but at the intermediate station also.

In Illinois negligence can not be imputed to a passenger on a street car because he assumes, while riding, an attitude to which the construction of the car invites or tempts him.

In Virginia it is not negligence per se for a passenger on a rapidly moving train to attempt to pass out of one car into another, in search of a seat

In Illinois one who loses a train on which he has secured passage because of the statement of the agent that it was an hour late, whereas it was only forty-five minutes behind time, is held to have no cause of action against the company.

In Washington in an action by a passenger against a railroad for injuries received by being thrown from the train in attempting to alight, by the sudden starting of the train, it appeared that the train stopped before reaching the depot platform, and that plaintiff then attempted to get off, when the train was suddenly started, whereby plaintiff was thrown to the ground. There was evidence that the train usually stopped at that place for passengers to get off when the train first stopped, and that plaintiff had ridden upon the train several times before. The supreme court rules that she was not, as a matter of law, guilty of contributory negligence.

Removal Sale.

We have leased the Gallagher store room, No. 131 North Water street, and will move from our present location about April 1st. And as we have orders placed for new stock sufficient to fill our new room, we now offer our present stock of pianos and organs at greatly reduced prices. Call and be convinced. Phillips & Wood, 326 North Water street.—10-d1w

Musical Preface.

Mrs. Alexander, who is in charge of the organ at the Presbyterian church in the absence of Miss Bunn, will at the request of her friends give a series of musical prefaces to the Sunday evening services beginning tomorrow evening. She will commence at 7:15 and play till time for the service at 7:30.

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SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 1897.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, March 13.—Snow north; rain or snow south tonight; Sunday, slightly higher temperature; fresh east to northeast winds.

Beet Sugar.

The sugar schedule for the proposed new tariff bill, if the bill becomes a law, will give a new impetus to the beet sugar industry which is a desirable thing for our people, and the interests of the country. It is now generally conceded that it is possible to produce beet sugar in this country sufficient to meet the demands of consumption. But unfortunately we are not so well agreed as to what, if any, encouragement should be given the beet sugar industry to bring about this result.

Germany and France, by the protection or encouragement of a system of bounty on beets, both became importers of beet sugar. Under the McKinley law of 1890 a similar bounty was provided for beet sugar raisers. This proved a great encouragement to the production of sugar beets and turned thousands of acres of land from raising corn and oats and wheat to the cultivation of sugar beets. But this bounty was viciously attacked by the free traders for partisan purposes and the growing industry was crushed by the repeal of that law. As stated before the new bill is framed so as to restore protection and encouragement to the production of beet sugar.

During the fiscal year of 1894 the United States imported 510,350,276 pounds of beet sugar and 3,843,884,605 pounds of cane sugar. The beet sugar cost the people of this country $16,000,000 and the cane sugar cost $111,000,000, being a total of $127,000,000 paid out for sugar produced outside of the United States. Should we produce this amount of sugar ourselves for our own consumption we would not only keep this money at home but it would be paid out to American labor, thus creating an increased demand for labor. In addition to this it would take out of competition in producing corn and other cereals millions of acres of land by diverting it to the production of the sugar beet so that while we were increasing the demand for labor and enlarging the farmer's home market we would be reducing the number of acres now producing bread stuffs of which we now produce more than we consume.

Thus we see that the beet sugar industry would not only benefit the American farmer but would benefit American labor in the same proportion while in connection with this we would keep the money at home and in circulation that we now send abroad for sugar. This is a great possibility and is worthy the best efforts of our statesmen. The free trader is a creature of theories but his theories would never have developed this country and when applied now brings ruin and depression to the business built up by protection so that it is not at all strange that he opposed the American sugar bounty as well as the duty on tin plate for the building up of that industry. On these questions he is always wrong—always un-American and his objections should not be considered.

The country needed the tin industry to give employment to our own people and to stop sending our own good cash to England for our tin plate. It needs the beet sugar industry just as bad and it is well that the new tariff bill makes ample provision for the encouragement of that industry.

Before Cleveland retired from office he he extended the civil service to 45,000 places that were open to him at the beginning of his term and which he generally filled with Democrats. There are now 87,107 places under the civil service which practically covers everything in the shape of patronage except the postoffices and a few places in the departments at Washington. It has been extended by Mr. Cleveland until it has become as ridiculous as his foreign policy.

Mr. Gage is secretary of the treasury but he cannot select the director of the bureau of engraving nor can he select the two engravers who make the paper money. They are all under the civil service. Mr. Gage though held responsible for the affairs in his department must accept in these responsible positions men of whom he knows nothing and who are under no obligation to him for their preferment. In all the other departments the conditions created by Cleveland in extending and abusing the principle of civil service reform are equally as ridiculous. All the cabinet officers have men about them who ought to be in confidential relations to their chiefs whom the chiefs know nothing about and consequently cannot know how far to trust. Should a vacancy occur in any of these places covered by the extension of the civil service the vacancies would be filled not by the heads of departments under whom the appointees would serve but by the civil service commission upon an examination that Washington, Grant, Lincoln nor Logan could pass in and yet they were all safe, practical men. Civil service reform is all right applied to places where experts are required—men who have by long experience become experts. But when good every-day ability and sense are required it is un-American to establish an office holding aristocracy.

Pettigrew, one of the silver Republican senators, has given out that the faction to which he belongs, and some of the Democrats, will offer no obstacle to the speedy passage of the new tariff bill in the senate. This is a logical and the only safe attitude for these people to assume. The Republicans are pledged to the restoration of prosperity by a protective tariff which they do now, and always have, insisted was the basis of American development and prosperity. The country has been in distress ever since this policy was changed. The Republicans are again in power and should be permitted to restore their policies which they contend will create a demand for labor and investment which must result in bringing back our old prosperous conditions. Opposition to such restoration would mean political death to the opponent.

A Mississippi steamer is taking advantage of the high water to advertise excursions into the country fifty miles from the bed of the stream. This indicates that a great many farms are under water which is worse than being under mortgage and may be added as an issue by the Populists.

The ridiculous situation resulting from the civil service law which leaves the present administration without patronage and without power to appoint its own confidential clerks and accountants may be the means of defeating or revolutionizing public sentiment as to the entire principle.

Governor Bradley of Kentucky, comes very near being the Addicks of his state and he may yet succeed if he keeps on improving along that line.

USEFUL TATTOOING.

Suggested as a Practical Mark for Purposes of Identification.

Why should we not be identified from youth upward by a tattooed mark? Men who travel have often found difficulty in getting checks cashed in strange places and women who entertain are frequently taken in by "distinguished guests," who prove to be any persons except the distinguished ones expected. A tattoo mark, registered somewhere and placed on record so as not to be imitated without punishment from the law, would be every bit as useful on human beings as the brand is on cattle.

Human beings, when disassociated from their usual attire and surroundings, are distinguished from one another with even more difficulty than attends the picking out of a particular cow or horse from a large number. It was Thomas Hughes who declared that a man would refuse to recognize his best friend if the latter were set down in ragged clothing at a street crossing. And he was right.

Men escape justice easily by such simple devices as shaving the mustache or growing a beard, and the lady in stageland who isn't recognized by her own family merely because she puts on a different color dress is not unknown in real life. A Philadelphia man has been discovered with his name and address tattooed on his arm and he takes great pleasure in getting checks cashed at banks where he is unknown by merely exhibiting his arm.

Properly arranged the name and address of a fair debutante, with her family crest and a few incidentals added, would not disfigure her above-glove arm and similar markings would be very useful for all the boys who went in for athletics and who desired to be known to the world better than was possible through letters placed on the back and bound to blow off during the first bit of wind.—Boston Home Journal.

To Stop a Cold in 30 Minutes.

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Garden Seeds.

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Republican Town Convention

The Republican township convention will be held on the 19th day of March, 1897, in the circuit court room, in the city of Decatur, county of Macon, and state of Illinois, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the several offices to be voted for at the election to be held Tuesday, April 6th, 1897.

The representation to be based on the vote cast at the presidential election in November, 1896, towit: One delegate for each fifty votes, or the fraction of twenty-five, or over, cast for William McKinley for president.

The primary election be held in each voting district in this, Decatur township, at places to be designated by the respective chairmen, on Tuesday, March 18th, inst., the polls to be opened from 4 p. m., to 7 p. m., each district to vote by ballot for the candidates for the several offices, the candidates receiving a plurality of votes cast in each district, to receive the votes of the delegates from that district, at the township convention, the vote of the district to operate as an instruction to the delegates from that district, and that this instruction shall be adhered to not only on the first ballot but on each and every ballot taken while voting for candidates in the convention.

In the case of constables and justices of the peace, there being five of each to elect, the five candidates for each office, receiving the highest number of votes in either district, shall receive the votes of the delegates from that district, and in the case of assistant supervisors, there being four to elect, like rule shall prevail.

The township central committeeman for each district, shall have charge of the primary in his district, and shall appoint a clerk who shall serve at the primary and record the names of the voters.

When the polls close, to wit: at 7:30 p. m., the voters assembled for that purpose, at the polling place shall elect delegates to represent the district in the township convention.

That the township central committee supply the tickets to be used at the said primaries, to contain the names of all candidates who may notify the chairman of the committee on or before the 15th day of March inst., of their desire to have their names placed on the ticket and pay their pro rata of the expense of printing and attending the primaries. That a committee of three, to be named by the chairman, have charge of the tickets and see that each voting place shall be supplied, and no ticket shall be voted, or received, or counted, save the tickets furnished by the said committee, which shall be known as the official ticket.

The representation agreed upon is as follows: First district, 5 votes; second district, 5 votes; third district, 6 votes; fourth district, 3 votes; fifth district, 8 votes; sixth district, 5 votes; seventh district, 6 votes; eighth district, 6 votes; ninth district, 6 votes; tenth district, 3 votes; eleventh district, 3 votes; twelfth district, 9 votes; Thirteenth district, 5 votes; fourteenth district, 5 votes.

The voting places will be as follows:

First District—Street car barn on North street.

Second—Harry Misenhelter's, North Water.

Third———

Fourth—Montgomery's barn on Pine street.

Fifth—Kater's grocery, Macon street.

Sixth—Doake's barn, West Wood.

Seventh—Jacob's grocery, South Webster.

Eighth———.

Ninth—Kraft's bottling works.

Tenth—Witt building, Calhoun street.

Eleventh—Weckenman's grocery store.

Twelfth———.

Thirteenth—Corner Packard and Church streets.

Fourteenth—McCrum's grocery, North Monroe.

D. A. Maffit, chairman.
W. N. Andrews, secretary.

There is great complaint at Kankakee about the city water, which is said to be absolutely muddy, on account of some defect in the filter at the water works.

Constipation in its worst forms, dyspepsia, sick headache, biliousness and derangement of the liver are readily cured by DeWitt's Little Early Risers These little pills never gripe. Small pill, safe pill, best pill. A. J. Stoner & Son Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Mrs. Layton of Wenona, last fall planted some tomato seed in a box which she kept in a bay window. She now has ripe tomatoes for dinner.

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The city water in Springfield is so muddy that restaurants are serving milk instead of water to their customers.

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Never before in the history of the county was there apparently so much distress in the county. The pauper relief bills for the quarter will exceed $4000 in the county. Many of the townships that have heretofore thought their relief heavy at $100, find it doubled this year. The supervisors say the applications for relief are surprising and include people who have never heretofore applied.—Champaign Gazette.

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Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon County, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will, on

Saturday, April 3, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the city of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot three (3) of the northwest quarter of section five (5) and the southwest quarter of lot three (3) of the northeast quarter of section five (5), all in township fifteen (15) north, range three (3) east of the 3rd P. M., also the east half of the northwest quarter of section 32, township 16 north, range three east of the 3rd p. m

Terms of Sale: One-third cash on day of sale One-third in one year and one-third in two years at 6 per cent. per annum, payable annually, deferred payments to be secured by a mortgage upon the premises sold, or the purchaser shall have the right to pay all cash on day of sale if he so elect.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 12th day of March, A. D. 1897

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One case Spring Dress Prints, new printing, all at.....3⅞c yard

One case Fine Black and White Prints, looks like Pongee; they are fast colors; this sale, 4⅞c yard

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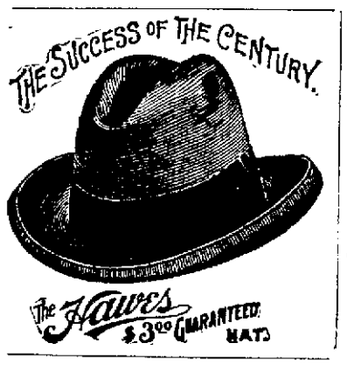

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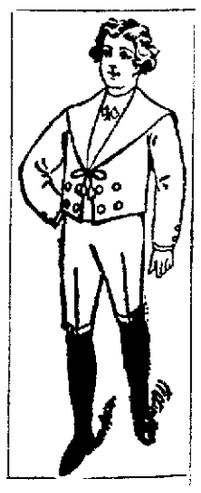

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SUNDAY SERVICES.

CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.
Lesson-sermon from the Bible, and "Science and Health, with Key to the Scriptures," by Rev. Mary Baker Eddy, at 10:30 a. m. Subject, "Saul's Conversion." Friday evening meeting at 7:45. Review Building.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Rev. A. W. Hawkins pastor. Services in W. C. T. U. hall. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning theme, "Ckrist Precious to Believers.' Evening theme, "How to be Saved." Endeavor service at 6:30 p. m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
W. H. Penhallegon, D. D., pastor. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., A. H. Mills, supt. Services at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "Repairing Waste Places, or Conditions and Opportunities." In the evening, "The Arm-Chair and the Rocking-Chair, or The Husband and Wife at Home." Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.
Strangers and others not worshiping elsewhere are cordially invited.

COLLEGE STREET CHAPEL.
Sunday school at 2:15 p. m., W. D. Wells, Supt.

WESTMINSTER CHAPEL.
Corner of Macon street and Haworth avenue. Sunday school at 2:15 p. m., P. P. Laughlin, Supt.

GRACE M. E. CHURCH.
W. F. Gillmore, D. D., pastor. Class meeting at 9:30 a. m. Sunday school at 2 p. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m., by the pastor Morning: "Now we see through a glass dimly but then face to face." Evening, Address to the W. M. F. S. by Miss Franc Baker. Epworth League Monday evening.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.
Corner North Water and East North streets Rev. D. R. MacGregor, pastor; residence, 450 N College street. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Morning service at 10.45. Subject, "An Expensive Gospel." Evening. An address on "Friendship."
Baptists, together with commercial travelers, and those without church homes in our city, are cordially invited. Intermediate Endeavor Sunday evening at 6:30. Senior C. E. Monday evening at 7:30.

SERVICES AT EAST PARK CHAPEL.
Sunday school at 2:30 p. m., J. Edward Saxton, superintendent.
Those in the vicinity of the Chapel are cordially invited.

UNITED BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH.
The Centenary U. U. church, corner of N. Broadway and Eldorado streets, M. B. Spayd, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m., T. G. Ruthroff, Supt. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "The Christian for the Times." Evening, "The Dignity of Adoption." Rev. J. A. F. King will preach both morning and evening. Communion in the evening.

FIRST M. E. CHURCH.
Rev. D. F. Howe pastor. Class meeting at 9 a. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 10.45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning theme, "Missions." Address by Miss Franc Baker. Evening theme, "An Honorable Prize Fight." Prelude, "One Star in Our Flag Eclipsed by the Shadow of Shame; Nevada and the Prize Fight." Endeavor service at 6 45 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to the general public and to all not worshiping elsewhere.

SARGEANT'S CHAPEL.
Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. Class meeting at 3:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening.

GERMAN M. E. CHURCH.
Corner of North Jackson and East North streets. J. C. Rapp, pastor. Class meeting at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7.45 p. m. by the pastor. Morning subject, "Investigators Investigating." Evening: "Improving Eyesight." Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Epworth League meeting at 7:15. p. m.

SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
Rev. Frank N. Atkin rector. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Holy Communion at 7 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon at 10:30 a. m. Evensong and sermon at 7:30 p. m.

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH.
Corner of North Main and William streets, Rev. Frank C. Oberly, pastor. Sunday School at 9:15 a. m., Dr. N. D. Myers, Supt. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. Morning subject, "Heroic Traits of a Cross-Bearer." Evening, "Manasen." A cordial welcome extended to all to worship with the congregation.

ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHAPEL.
Corner Leafland Ave. and Charles St. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m.

CHRISTIAN TABERNACLE.
Church street, between Eldorado and North. Rev. Geo. F. Hall, pastor. Prof. M. S. Calvin, Musical Director. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; C. W. Lewman, Supt. Preaching by the pastor at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "The Bread of Life." Evening, "Advice to a Young Girl." Junior Endeavor at 3 p. m. Senior Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. At the evening service the choir will render Rossini's celebrated "Inflammatus," from "Stabat Mater." There will be more than 150 singers on the platform.
Riverside Mission School at 2:30 p. m.

CHURCH OF GOD.
Corner of North Water and Cerro Gordo streets. J. Bernard, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning theme, "Grace and Glory." Evening, "A Woman in the City, Which was the Sinner." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., W. L. Huff, supt. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.

EDWARD STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
Corner West William and Edward streets. Rev. Marion Stevenson pastor. Sunday School at 2:30 p. m., E. March, Supt. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., by the pastor. Morning subject, "A Visit to Corinth with Paul." Evening, "Lessons From the Eden Story." Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. A full attendance of the members of the church is desired. Those not worshiping elsewhere cordially invited. All seats free.
Leafland Avenue Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH.
On Spring Avenue. Rev. I T. Pearman, pastor in charge. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning: Church Covenant services, after which the Lord's Supper will be administered. Evening subject, "Daniel's Prayer and Confession for the Sins of the People." Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Young People's Christian Endeavor at 7:00 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend.

ST. PETER'S CHAPEL, A. M. E. CHURCH.
Sunday school at 2:30, Rev. Wm. Price supt. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. Morning subject, "Stability the Gift of God." Evening, "The Work of Grace; Of the Pardon of Sin." Rev. P. Cooper, Pastor.

GOOD WAY MISSION.
Corner Bradford and Water streets. Preaching by Rev. Geo. R. Buck, of Bloomington, at 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 3:15 p. m.

SPIRITUALIST SOCIETY.
Spiritualist services will be held at 559 North Jackson street at 7:30 p. m. Subject, of discourse, "Science vs. Theology." All are welcome. India Hill, pastor.

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GEN. JULIO SANGUILLY.

The Man Whose Case Nearly Led to a War with Spain.

Gen. Julio Sanguilly, who has just arrived in Florida, owes his escape from the barbarities of life imprisonment under Spanish rule to the fact that he is a naturalized American citizen. His case, because of his prominence and the flimsy testimony on which he was convicted, attracted much attention in this country, stirred congressmen to warlike declarations and might have led to war if Spain had not backed water. Sanguilly served in the ten years' revolution in Cuba, and was wounded in the arms and legs, which left him a cripple. He had a brilliant record, was a man of engaging manners and was very popular. He became a great favorite in Cuban society after that war, and won many friends among his former enemies in the field. When the present insurrection became imminent, Gen Sanguilly was looked upon as the probable leader of the Cuban forces in the provinces of Santa Clara and Matanzas. His dash and bravery at the head of the Camaguey cavalry in the present war were the warrant for the popular expectation. The Spanish authorities, knowing the common expectation, arrested him February 23, 1895, on the eve of the outbreak. He was taken in Havana at the order of Capt. Gen. Calleja. He was charged with conspiracy against the Spanish government and taken to the Cuban fortress, where a court-martial was convened to try him. Ramon O. Williams, United States consul general, protested on the ground that under the Cushing-Albacete treaty of 1877 American citizens should not be tried by court-martial unless taken with arms on their persons. The prisoner was then given a civil trial. The evidence against Sanguilly was generally circumstantial. On December 2, 1895, he was declared guilty of aiding and abetting the rebellion, and was sentenced to imprisonment for life. His lawyer appealed to Spain. The supreme court remitted his case to Havana for retrial on the ground that there was lack of proof of Sanguilly's guilt. Sanguilly's lawyer during his first trial, Miguel Viondi, had been imprisoned, and for a time occupied a cell with his former client. The main witness who testified in Sanguilly's favor, Antonio Lopez Colima, had been imprisoned 18 months and then shot. Another important witness, the expert penman who testified favorably to Sanguilly, died suddenly in Havana. Sanguilly was again convicted and again appealed. Consul General Lee interceded in his behalf, and Spain, after he had been imprisoned two years, agreed to change Sanguilly's sentence to banishment on condition that he should withdraw his appeal. This he did reluctantly, because it might be construed as a surrender of his claim for damages for false imprisonment.

GEN. JULIO SANGUILLY.

TO SUCCEED BAYARD.

Col. John Hay to Be Our Next Ambassador to England.

By common consent it has been admitted for some time that Col. John Hay is to succeed Thomas F. Bayard as ambassador to Great Britain.

Mr. Hay has been a resident of Washington a good many years, but his appointment will be charged to Ohio, whence he came.

John Hay, as is well known, was one of President Lincoln's secretaries. He met Mr. Lincoln at Springfield, Ill., where he had studied law and been admitted to the bar. He was with Mr. Lincoln almost constantly until the president's death. He gained a little military experience also, acting as the president's adjutant and aid-de-camp, and serving for several months as major and assistant adjutant general under Gen. Hunter and Gen. Gillmore. He was breveted lieutenant colonel and colonel.

Col. Hay is a man of affairs. He has been secretary at Paris and at Madrid. He was charge d'affaires at Vienna, and he was President Lincoln's secretary. He is learned, polished, deep, familiar with the strange ways and mouth-filling words of diplomacy, and is at ease in any kind of company. Col. Hay is 59 years old and has long been a resident of Washington, where his house is one of the most hospitable. It was here that he wrote his "Life of Lincoln," which is regarded as one of the most valuable of the contributions to the literature of the United States. Col Hay is recognized as a fine orator.

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MRS. LUCY A. CRAWFORD WAS RAISED FROM A BED OF SICKNESS.

Suffered Frightful Tortures While Under the Care of a Physician. Learning of the Cure of Mr. T. H. Horn, the Logan Blacksmith, She Tries Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and is now Able to be About Again.

From the Dispatch, Columbus, Ohio.

The duties of a trained nurse are arduous. There is no profession or occupation which makes a greater drain on the nervous system than the avocation which seeks to alleviate the distress of others. The soothing of the furrowed brow and watching over the fitful sleep of patients, brings with it much that is trying for the nurse.

It pays well, and many are attracted to the ranks of the profession who pay dearly for their labors. One of the best known professional nurses in Columbus, O., is Mrs. Lucy A. Crawford, of No. 800 East Cherry Street She is the mother of seven children, and at present lives with a married daughter at the above address.

Mrs. Crawford is highly esteemed by an extensive acquaintance for her high qualities of mind and heart, and to a smaller circle of friends she is endeared by years of kindness and friendship. Her family love her as only the mother is loved, who, for a lifetime has lavished her time and energies on her children.

MRS. LUCY A. CRAWFORD

A representative of the Columbus *Dispatch* interviewed Mrs. Crawford at her home. He found her the picture of health. She is a large woman, matronly-looking, and with cheeks glowing with the roses of health. Her eyes are bright as those of a child, and though she is past forty-eight years of age, she is ordinarily taken for from forty to forty-five. She is a genial, pleasant lady, and talked freely when the *Dispatch* reporter questioned her about herself.

"Yes, I was away this summer," said Mrs. Crawford, "I was down in Logan, visiting my children. I was also enjoying the country air and the beautiful surroundings in a way I once thought I never would again. It's not a small matter to breathe the inspiring breezes of the fresh meadows when one has abandoned hope of even seeing them again. It's a delightful thing to drive the cows home and feed the chickens when one has despaired of ever again doing so.

"Perhaps it will be of interest to you to learn something about my experience. My husband has been dead some years and I have six living children, all married and happy. I am the grandmother of many other children, and feel quite old, though they flatter me into the belief that I am still young. I have followed the profession or business of a trained nurse for many years, and have the knowledge of having nursed back to life many a poor soul who had trembled on the brink of the grave.

"Three years ago I was in Lancaster, the guest of friends, and saw many times, a former friend who lived next door to where I was then living. His name was Mr. T. H. Horn, and when I had seen him before, he was one of the strongest men in Lancaster. He was a blacksmith, and swung a sledge or forged a bolt with the skill and strength of a giant. But when I then saw him, he was lying on a bed of anguish, suffering terribly. He was afflicted with locomotor ataxia, a disease so awful that medical science has long considered it incurable. He had been for five months in his house and could not walk. Mr. Horn was 55 years old, and the contrast between the hale and hearty man I had once seen, and this emaciated individual was so great that I felt depressed by his condition.

"He was under the care of physicians and was taking nostrums and patent medicines but with no sign of hope. He had grown despondent, and even his friends were not sanguine of his recovery. If he stepped on the floor he either fell forward or backward and had no control of his limbs. He was dying by inches, and his mental agony was as great as was his physical. When I left Lancaster that was Mr. Horn's situation.

"Last April I was suddenly attacked with sciatic rheumatism. I came down stairs one morning and helped to prepare breakfast. After the meal I was moving about busy with household duties, when like a flash of lightning I was seized with the dread disease. I rolled on the floor in indescribable pain. For hours I was knotted and twisted as though by the action of an electric current.

"At the end of three weeks I was so that I wished that I could die. My right leg from hip to heel was drawn up and quivering with suffering. I could not eat nor sleep. I simply lay and moaned all day and night. I did not believe that one could endure what I did. I think now that I reached the limit of human endurance, and that it was only my powerful constitution that kept me from sinking into the grave.

"I was roasted, swathed in hot flannels, soaked in hot water. I vomited often, had a temperature of 104 degrees and yet lived. After twenty-one days of this, I happened to think of Mr. Horn. I heard that he had been cured by the use of a medicine called 'Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.' I understood that he was a new man from their use. I had little faith in their efficacy, but almost in despair, bought a box at the druggist's.

"When I had taken half the contents of one box I could sleep without opiates and eat a little. Two boxes emptied, I was almost well. I was still lame, but the pain was gone. I could walk, eat and sleep. I had none of the nausea and felt comparatively well. About the time I began to take the third box I went into the kitchen and made two pies I was able to wash the dinner dishes and help my daughter in her work. In two more days I walked a half mile. I went to the blind asylum grounds and took a stroll around the neighborhood. The fourth box gone, I was perfectly well except that I felt an occasional weakness now and then in my leg. I continued, and took in all seven boxes, finishing the last one in July. I was then so well that I felt like a child. I had more than regained my former health. I had increased in weight, my cheeks were rosy and I was happy.

"It was then I went to Logan. While there I had the sincere pleasure to help a friend to health through the Pink Pills. Miss Dollison, a typesetter on the Logan *Democrat*, was attacked with rheumatism in her shoulder and arm so that she could not put up her hair. She took one box of Pink Pills for Pale People and was cured. I saw Mr. Horn, the Logan blacksmith about that time. He was swinging his sledge with the old, merry air, and told me that he had taken 20 boxes of Pink Pills and was perfectly restored. He said that he never felt better in his life." Mrs. Crawford smiled as she finished. "God has been good to me," she said, "and I think it no more than right that I should let people know what it was that made the happy, healthy woman that I am."

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FOREIGN GOSSIP.

—In the time of Henry VIII. the royal navy only numbered 14 vessels.

—A note of the Bank of England, twisted into a kind of rope, can suspend as much as 329 pounds upon one end of it, and not be injured.

—The first book printed in England was a "Treatise on the Game of Chess," and a very wonderful performance it was thought at the time.

—More than £11,000 sterling worth of silver is said to be wasted every year in the circulation of British crowns, half crowns, florins, shillings and sixpences.

—Tumblers of nearly the same shape and dimensions as those employed today have been found in great numbers in Pompeii. They were of gold, silver, glass, agate, marble and other semi-precious stones.

—In the reign of Edward III. there were at Bristol three brothers who were eminent clothiers and woolen weavers and whose family name was Blanket. They were the first persons who manufactured that comfortable material which has ever since been called by their name, and which was then used for peasants' clothing.

—Often, when the Chinese want to know what o'clock it is they will run to the nearest cat, open her eyes, and at once tell what time it is. This they do by observing the size of the aperture of the pupil of the eye, which they have discovered is of varying size at diferent hours of the day, being affected by the position of the sun and the character of light, even when the day is cloudy.

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In converting our steam lines, cable and horse-car roads into electrical railways the question of obtaining the power from cheap and abundant sources is paramount. The success of the Niagara people opens up a field heretofore existing merely in speculation, and it has had the effect of stimulating others in original investigations and experiments to obtain power from similar sources. Vague rumors have been current to the effect that capitalists were on the point of organizing to convert the power of the Mississippi, Missouri, and other rivers into electrical energy. It has been estimated that the tides of the North and East rivers exert a power many times greater than would be required to light the whole metropolitan district, and to supply heat for the buildings and turn the wheels of all the railroads and factories. The question of collecting and storing the power seems to be the only debatable part of the subject, and this is being seriously considered by inventors and scientists. A tidal water plant has been established at Bowers Cove, near Providence, R. I., where experiments are now being made to convert the energy of the tides into electricity. It is anticipated by the promoters of the enterprise that power, light and heat can be supplied to all the mills, traction companies and private houses in Rhode Island at less than one-half the present cost.

It may be many years before we shall succeed in harnessing the tides along the two great oceans that wash our shores, but they are sources of such an endless amount of power that the world will not be satisfied until they are controlled, or their utility proved futile. The conversion of the energy exerted by the currents of our great rivers into useful power is limited only by the question of initial expense in establishing the plant.—George Ethelbert Walsh, in Chautauquan.

Went Them $50 Better.

A few nights ago a miner from the north, who had lately sold a claim, had money to burn and was in an incendiary mood, came down to Spokane to make the currency bonfire.

He was rather rusty looking when he struck Spokane, but he was hungry, and, before going to a barber shop or bath, dropped into an up-town restaurant to get something to eat.

There was but one waiter, and he, busy carrying champagne to a party at another table, paid little attention to the hard-looking miner. Finally the waiter was called over, when the miner said:

"See here, kid! Do I eat?"

"Sorry I can't wait on you now," was the prompt reply, "but the gentleman there has just ordered a fifty dollar dinner."

"Fifty-dollar dinner be hanged! Bring me one hundred dollars' worth of ham and eggs and be quick about it! Do I look like a guy who can be bluffed by a mess of popinjays?"

He was waited on promptly.—Spokane Review.

She Didn't Like Mustaches.

"No," said the little widow, emphatically. "I will never attend another seance."

"Why not?" asked her friend. "Didn't you have any acquaintances among the spooks?"

"I am in doubt about the materializations."

"Not distinct enough?"

"Well, it was this way. The medium said my husband was there, and wanted to speak to me. It was too dark to see him plainly, but I thought I recognized the outline of Jim and kissed him."

"And was it Jim?"

"That's what I would like to know."

"What makes you doubt it?"

"The spook had a lovely mustache."

"O!"

"Jim never had one."

And the little widow looked thoughtful.—Sheffield Telegram.

Ready to Go.

The man who had been calling upon Uncle Sam to free Cuba had been cornered; at least everyone supposed he had been cornered, but they did not know how resourceful he was. He had been dared to back up his pretensions by really enlisting in the Cuban cause.

"And I've done it," he declared the next day. "I don't intend that anyone shall question my devotion to the cause of Cuban liberty."

"How did you enlist?" he was asked.

"I telegraphed to San Francisco to enroll me in any company that might be organized there and I would join it at any time they sent me transportation."—Chicago Post.

Poor Foundation.

"Darling, where the noble Hudson winds its way—" Harold Duzenberry pressed the maiden closer yet—

"I shall build our home nest on a bluff; I—" She glided from his grasp.

"No, Harold, I have—" Her tone was clear and firm—

"A sister married to a Chicago man! With that—" How pale and proud she stood!—

"Example in the family, bluffs don't go with me!" And even when he explained she was obdurate.—N. Y. World.

—In Canton, China, they name streets after the virtues, as here they are named after persons. Thus there is a street called Unblemished Rectitude, a Pure Pearl street, a street of Benevolence, and another of Love.

The Discovery Saved His Life.

Mr. G. Gaillouette, Druggist, Beaversville, Ill., writes: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with La Grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail, and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle and began its use and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We don't keep store or house without it." At West's Drug Store.

The strike of the molders at the Bradley foundry at Kankakee is still on. The foundry is closed and castings are being made as ordered from outside foundries. An arbitration committee has offered its service, but nothing appears likely to be done.

Chicora, Pa., "Herald:" Richard Vensel reports One Minute Cough Cure the greatest success of medical science. He told us that it cured his whole family of terrible coughs and colds, after all other so-called cures had failed entirely. Mr. Vinsel said it assisted his children through a very bad siege of measles. One Minute Cough Cure makes expectoration very easy and rapid. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Peter Ward of Lincoln, was fined $20 and costs for giving tobacco to some school boys in return for some small services. The action was brought by the school board, who intend to break up the practice of selling or giving tobacco in any form to children attending school.

A torpid liver means a bad complexion, bad breath, indigestion and frequent headaches. To avoid such companions take DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The town of Green Valley in Tazewell county, is much agitated over a new railroad coming through the place. The workmen are said to be laying down ties and rails without going to the trouble of grading the roadbed.

Something for burns, scalds, chapped hands and lips. Healing for cuts and sores. Instant relief for piles, stops pain at once. These are the virtues of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Prof. Forbes warns farmers in central Illinois that there will be a great number of chinch bugs this year and that they should be on their guard.

Lost—A dear little child who made home happy by its smiles. And to think, it might have been saved had the parents only kept in the house One Minute Cough Curé, the infallible remedy for croup. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

There is great complaint at Kankakee about the city water, which is said to be absolutely muddy, on account of some defect in the filter at the water works.

Constipation in its worst forms, dyspepsia, sick headache, biliousness and derangement of the liver are readily cured by DeWitt's Little Early Risers These little pills never gripe. Small pill, safe pill, best pill. A. J. Stoner & Son Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Mrs. Layton of Wenona, last fall planted some tomato seed in a box which she kept in a bay window. She now has ripe tomatoes for dinner.

A weed in the garden can be easily destroyed when it first starts. Consumption can be nipped in the bud by One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The city water in Springfield is so muddy that restaurants are serving milk instead of water to their customers.

Minutes seem like hours when a life is at stake. Croup gives no time to send for a doctor; delay may mean death. One Minute Cough Cure gives instant relief and insures recovery. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Peter I. Paterson, an old resident of Pekin, died at the age of 86 years.

All the different forms of skin troubles, from chapped hands to eczema and indolent ulcers can be readily cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great pile cure. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

THE TIME HAS COME

for a change in dress, and everybody is pondering on what to wear.

Our Spring Clothing

is now upon our counters.

...PERFECT IN FIT...

Our Children's Department Contains the Latest Novelties that can be purchased on the continent. ✻ ✻ ✻

Graceful in Design and at a Lower Price than ever

CHEAP CHARLEY,

...The Reliable Clothier...

FIRE! FIRE! FIRE!

Fire Sale

—AT THE—

SAVINGS BANK STORE,

—COMMENCING—

Saturday Morning, March 6, 1897.

$18,000 worth of Dry Goods, Men's Boys' and Children's Clothing, Men's Furnishing Goods, Hats and Caps, Silks, Satins, Boots and Shoes.

THE ENTIRE STOCK on the Main Floor has been damaged by smoke. This entire stock must be sold out in a short time, before we put in our Spring stock, as our Mr. Silverman is in the market at present selecting a Spring stock, and this stock must be sold AT ANY PRICE before the new goods arrive.

Will not put any price, but will convince you by coming to our store that *Now is the Time to Dress Yourself Up for a Little Money.*

YOURS RESPECTFULLY,

Savings Bank Store,

Corner Water and Park Streets.

GREAT CLOSING OUT SALE

—AT—

Leonard's Departm't Store

Am going out of business and must close out my stock immediately. We are offering the greatest bargains ever offered in Decatur. Seeing is believing; come and see and be convinced.

We have big bargains to offer you in our

DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT.

Children's Hosiery reduced from 10c to 5c pair.
Fine Large Bed Spreads at 98c.
Ladies Fine Wrappers at 75c and up.
Best Table Oil Cloth at 12½c yard
Gent's Heavy Cotton Socks reduced from 10c to 5c per pair

We have some special bargains to offer in Ladies Dress Skirts, Black, Novelty and Shepard Plaid, worth $2 50, must sell at $1.50.
Skirts in Black Brocade Brilliantine, worth $ 00, for $1 98.
Dresses of all kinds made to order at very low prices
We have a large stock of Remnants to be closed out at a bargain.

We are offering the greatest bargains in

GROCERIES.

Corn, Peaches, Peas, Blackberries, Squash, Pumpkin ....5c per can
50 lb. Sack Flour $1.00
Fine Northern Potatoes..................30c per bu.
Fine Syrup reduced from 40c to 15c gal
22 lbs Granulated Sugar for................. $1.00
Bulk Coffee ....15c to 25c per lb
Gunpowder Tea reduced from 40c to 15c per lb
Tar Soap formerly 10c, now .... 5c per bar
Calumet Soap ....10 bars for 25c
25 lbs Prunes for........................ $1.00
Extra Large Herring. ....1c each

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233 N. Water St.—New Phone 248.

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NOTICE.

DECATUR, ILL., Feb. 22, 1897.

To the Stockholders of the Municipal Electric Company, of Decatur, Ill.:

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of said company will be held at the office of said company in Decatur, Illinois, upon the 15th day of March, 1897, at the hour of one o'clock p. m., for the purpose of authorizing the president and secretary of said company to execute, acknowledge and deliver the notes and mortgages of said company, said mortgages to cover the entire property, property rights, privileges and franchises of said company, and to be in the aggregate amount not to exceed [illegible] and upon such terms and for such time as shall be [illegible] by the officers so authorized [illegible] notes and mortgages, or as shall be [illegible] provided for by resolutions [illegible] meeting.

J H. CULVER, Pres't.
[illegible] F. H. CULVER, Sec'y.

Notice of Final Settlement.

To the heirs and distributees of the estate of Hannah [illegible], deceased.

You are hereby notified that I, Geo. S. Connard, administrator of the estate of Hannah [illegible], deceased, have placed on file in the office of the clerk of the county court of Macon county, Illinois, my final report as administrator of the said deceased, and that on the first Monday of April next, or as soon thereafter as I may be heard, I will present my said report to the county court of said county for approval.

Dated [illegible], Illinois, this twelfth day of March, A. D. 1897.

[illegible] CONNARD, Administrator.

March [illegible]

FRENCHY HAL, NO. 349.

Race Record 2:18¼ in a Winning Race.

FRENCHY HAL was sired by Valentine, sire of [illegible] (4), 2:40¼, Viola, 2:24¼.

[illegible] by Tom Hal, sire of Hal Pointer, 2:0[illegible] 2:11¼, and 30 others in 2:30

[illegible] by Brightlight, sire of [illegible] Tassett 2:36, Nellie B 2:26¼.

[illegible] by Black Dick, sire of [illegible] 2:14¼.

Frenchy Hal is a black horse foaled in 1891. He is [illegible] high, and has more speed than [illegible]. His sire and dam are both [illegible].

[illegible] sale or trade, and can be seen at [illegible] Feed Yard on East Prairie street. [illegible]

J. E. RACE.

[illegible], Dentist, Opera [illegible] Floor.

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Reliable Clothier...

FIRE! FIRE!

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—AT THE—

NGS BANK STORE,

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Morning, March 6, 1897.

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Bulk Coffee........15c to 25c per lb
Gunpowder Tea reduced from 40c to 15c per lb
Tar Soap formerly 10c, now........5c per bar
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To the Stockholders of the Municipal Electric Company, of Decatur, Ill.:

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of said company will be held at the office of said company in Decatur, Illinois, upon the 12th day of March, 1897, at the hour of one o'clock p. m., for the purpose of authorizing the president and secretary of said company to execute, acknowledge and deliver the notes and mortgages of said company, said mortgages to cover the entire property, property rights, privileges and franchises of said company, and to be in the aggregate amount not to exceed $35000, and upon such terms and for such time as shall be deemed expedient by the officers so authorized to ex[illegible] said notes and mortgages, or as shall be [illegible] provided for by resolutions a[illegible] meeting.

J. H. CULVER, Pres't.
Attest: F. H. CULVER, Sec'y.

Notice of Final Settlement.

To the heirs and distributees of the estate of Hannah Stickel, deceased.

You are hereby notified that I, Geo. S. Connard, administrator of the estate of Hannah Stickel, deceased, have placed on file in the office of the clerk of the county court of Macon county, [illegible] my final report as administrator of [illegible] deceased, and that on the first M[illegible] April next, or as soon thereafter as I [illegible] I will present my said report to [illegible] court of said county for approval.
[illegible] Decatur, Illinois, this twelfth day of Ma[illegible] 1897.

GEO. S. CONNARD, Administrator.
March 12-d2w

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[illegible] for sale or trade, and can be seen [illegible] Baker's Feed Yard on East Prairie [illegible] $500. J. R. RACE.
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Dr. T. S. Hoskins, Dentist, Opera House Block, ground floor.
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Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY } ss In the Circuit Court.

Harry B. Owsley, complainant, vs. Lewis E. Casner et. al., defendant—In Chancery, No. 16,035.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the January term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Monday, March 22d, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to wit: Lot seven (7) in the assessor's resurvey of block one (1) in the original plot of the Town of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing 21.5 feet west of northeast corner of original lot five (5) in said block one (1), thence running south 144 feet, thence west 20.5 feet, thence north 144 feet, thence east 20.5 feet to the place of beginning, being part of the east half of original lots five (5) and six (6) in said block one (1) of the original town (now city) of Decatur.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 26th day of February, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Brown, Wheeler & Brown, Complainant's Solicitors. Feb 26-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss In the Circuit Court.

Harry Williams, complainant, vs. Edward A. Jones et. al., defendant—In Chancery, No. 16,139.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon County, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said Court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, March 20th, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: The east half of the northwest quarter of section 3, township 16, north range 2, east of the 3rd p. m., except three acres in the southwest corner thereof.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 25th day of February, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Mills Bros., Complainant's Solicitors.
Feb 26-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF MACON. } ss. In the Circuit Court.

Ida E. Armstrong, Complainant, vs. Isabella Disney et. al., Defendant—In Chancery, No. 16,012.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, March 23d, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot Fourteen (14), in Block Three ( ), in Higgins' Addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 27th day of February, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Mills Bros., Complainant's Solicitors.
Feb. 27-dtd.

Master in Chancery's Sale

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss In the Circuit Court.

Sarah Henson, Complainant, vs. Frank Tickler et al., Defendants—In Chancery, No. 16073.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the January term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

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Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 26th day of February, 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Bunn & Park, Complainant's Solicitors.
Feb 26-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } SS. In the Circuit Court.

The People's Savings and Loan Association, Complainant, vs. John F. Cooper et al., Defendants—In Chancery, No. 16054.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon County, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January term, 1897, of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will, on

Monday, March 22d, 1897,

at 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot Thirteen (13) in Block One (1), of P. H. Bruecks' 2d Addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 26th day of February, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
William C. Johns, Complainant's Solicitor.
Feb. 26-dtd

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Henry Blenz, Sr., Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Henry Blenz, Sr., late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the May term, on the first Monday in May next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 3d day of March, 1897.

HENRY BLENZ, JR., Administrator.
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Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of Robert G. Wells, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administratrix of the estate of Robert G. Wells, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 20th day of February, 1897.

ALICE C. WELLS, Administratrix.
Feb. 20-d3w

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed assignee of Mamie E Dennis and all persons holding any claim or claims against said Mamie E. Dennis are hereby notified to present the same to him under oath or affirmation within three months from this date, whether said claims are due or not. All persons indebted to said assignor are requested to make prompt payment of the same.

Dated February 10, 1897.

Feb 10-6w A. F. GEBHARD, Assignee.

RHEUMATISM CURE.—Decatur, Ill., Nov. 20th. Wanted, everybody to read this article. For four or five years I took medicine for my kidneys and could get no relief. After trying several other kinds of medicines for rheumatism I tried your Osrrodanic Capsules and they not only cured my rheumatism but my back as well. I can and do heartily recommend them to any one with rheumatism and neuralgia. Yours truly, Tom Peniwell, ticket agent I. C. R. R. Jan 18-dtf

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss In the Circuit Court

William M. Sharp, Complainant, vs. Francis M. Burns et al., Defendants—In Chancery; No. 16061.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Wednesday, March 31st, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot Five (5), in Block Thirteen (13), in the Village of Blue Mound, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated Decatur, Illinois, this 9th day of March, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Alexander McIntosh, Com. Solicitor.
Mrch 9-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY } In the Circuit Court.

Oscar F. Parker, Complainant, vs. Agnes V. Roddy et. al., Defendant.—In Chancery, No. 16,001.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Wednesday, March 31st, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption, according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold; being described as follows, to-wit: Lot three (3) in block seven (7) of Riverside Place, being a subdivision of part of the west half of the northeast quarter of section 23, township 16 north, range 2 east of the 3d P. M., in Macon county, Ill.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 9th day of March, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Bunn & Park, Complainant's Solicitor.
mar 9-dtd

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY } ss

In the Circuit Court of Macon County, June Term, 1897.

William C. H. Keough, Receiver of the North & South Building and Loan Association vs. Bridget M. Clark, Patrick Clark, Commercial Loan & Trust Company, a corporation, trustee, William R. Chamberlain, successor in trust; Horace M. Gillis, Charles M. Allison,—In Chancery, No. 15840.

CONSOLIDATED WITH

Charles M. Allison vs. Bridget M. Clark, Patrick Clark, North & South Building & Loan Association, William C. H. Keough, Receiver of the North & South Building & Loan Association—In Chancery, No. 15850.

Notice is hereby given to the said defendant, Horace M. Gillis, that the above named complainant William C. H. Keough heretofore filed his bill of complaint in said court, on the chancery side thereof, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against the above named defendant, returnable on the first day of the term of the circuit court of Macon county, to be held at the court house in Decatur, in said Macon county, on the first Monday of June, A. D. 1897, as is by law required, and which suit is still pending.

D. L. FOSTER, Clerk.
Collins & Fletcher, Sol. for Complainants.
March 9-d4w

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss.

Circuit Court of Macon County, June Term, A. D. 1897.

William C. H. Keough, Receiver of the North & South Building and Loan Association vs. Webster H. Rapp, Elizabeth M. Rapp, Jeannetta C. Blume, George P. Blume, George P. Blume and Webster H. Rapp, partners as Blume & Rapp, Lucinda Lugte, the unknown husband of Lucinda Lugte, The North & South Building & Loan Association.—In Chancery; No. 1590.

Notice is hereby given to the said defendants, Webster H. Rapp individually and as a member of the co-partnership of Blume & Rapp, Elizabeth M. Rapp and the unknown husband of Lucinda Lugte, that the above named complainant heretofore filed his bill of complaint in said court, on the chancery side thereof, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against the above named defendants returnable on the first day of the term of the circuit court of Macon county, to be held at the court house in Decatur, in said Macon county, on the first Monday of June, A. D. 1897, as is by law required, and which suit is still pending.

D. L. FOSTER, Clerk.
Collins & Fletcher, Sol. for Complainant.
March 9, 1897-d4w

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss

In the Circuit Court of Macon county, June Term, A. D. 1897.

William C. H. Keough, Receiver of the North and South Building and Loan Association, vs. Webster H. Rapp, Elizabeth M. Rapp, The Commercial Loan and Trust Company, a corporation, Trustee; William R. Chamberlain, successor in Trust, North and South Building and Loan Association; August Gronkouski, Elizabeth Gronkouski, Webster H. Rapp, Geo. P. Blume and George H. Simpson, copartners as Rapp, Simpson & Co., Jeannetta C. Blume and Grace Simpson.—In Chancery, No. 15982.

Notice is hereby given to the said defendants, Webster H. Rapp, individually and as a member of the partnership of Rapp, Simpson & Co., and Elizabeth M. Rapp, and each of them that the above named complainant heretofore filed his bill of complaint in said court on the chancery side thereof, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against the above named defendants returnable on the first day of the term of the circuit court of Macon county, to be held at the court house, in Decatur, in said Macon county, on the first Monday of June, A. D. 1897, as is by law required and which suit is still pending.

D. L. FOSTER, Clerk.
Collins & Fletcher, Solicitors for Complainant.
March 9, 1897-d4w

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss.

In the Circuit Court of Macon county, June Term, A. D. 1897.

William C. H. Keough, Receiver of the North and South Building and Loan Association, vs. Albert Karlofski, alias Albert Karlowski, Lottie Karlofski, alias Lottie Karlowski; North and South Building and Loan Association, Webster H. Rapp, and P. W. Kipp.—In Chancery, No. 16030.

Notice is hereby given to the said defendant, Webster H. Rapp, that the above named complainant heretofore filed his bill of complaint in said court on the chancery side thereof, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against the above named defendant, returnable on the first day of the term of the circuit court of Macon county, to be held at the court house in Decatur, in said Macon county, on the first Monday of June, A. D. 1897, as is by law required and which suit is still pending.

D. L. FOSTER, Clerk.
Collins & Fletcher, Solicitors for Complainant.
March 9, 1897-d4w

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of James E. Travis, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of James E. Travis, deceased, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the May term, on the first Monday in May next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 5th day of March, 1897.

LUTHER T. TRAVIS, Administrator.
March 5-d3w

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Ferby Holman, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Ferby Holman, late of the County of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 10th day of February, 1897.

DAVID T. HOLMAN, Administrator.
Feb 10-d3w

BARGAIN COLUMN.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 25 cents per week, payable invariably in advance

For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

WANTED—10 salesmen, male and female, for a specialty. Call at the Brunswick Hotel. 10-d6

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 306. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-dtf

WANTED—Several upright, industrial persons in Illinois, as State agents, or managers, for responsible house. $780 and expenses. Permanent positions. Enclose reference. Address the Dominion Company, Dept. 2, Chicago. Feb 9-d&w

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.—The largest and best line of second-hand goods in the city is at Chance's East Main street store. His line is too long to enumerate and a call will convince you that money can be saved by calling. 12-d2w

FOR SALE—CHEAP—A fine lot of standard bred Langshan Cockerels. Address Box 217, or call at yards on East Cantrell street. J. S. COX. Feb 22-d&w1m

FOR SALE—One share of Spring Lake Hunting and Fishing Club stock. Address Lock Box 308, Decatur. 9-d6

FOR SALE—5 acres of land, good 4-room new house, new barn, etc., on gravel road, east end of Decatur; $1700 buys it; possession given immediately. Hurry up; must be sold by March 1st. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—
4 and 5-room houses on W. North street.
Nice 6-room cottage in Riverside.
5-room house, corner Broadway and Decatur.
6-room house, No. 629 West Marietta—cheap.
7-room flat, with bath and furnace, on East William.
5-room house, No. 252 West Cerro Gordo street.
2 nice flats of four rooms each, in a brick building on North Water street.
New 7-room house, with modern conveniences in Riverside.
Office rooms in various good buildings.
Store rooms for rent.
KUNY, JOHNS & STROHM, 124 N. Water st.
March 8-d6

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—A lady's hand satchel containing one pair of gold eyeglasses, a pocketbook containing $1.68, a penknife with President McKinley's portrait on the side and the name of Henry Martin, Forsyth, Ill., inscribed on the other side. The finder will be rewarded by leaving the above at the paper store of W. C. Pluck, 109 East North street. HENRY MARTIN. 12-d2w

MONEY TO LOAN.

FARM LOANS—SIX PER CENT. INTEREST—Lowest commission. Prepayment privileges. Money ready when papers are accepted. Don't contract for a loan until you get my terms. C. E. GIVEN, 605 Millikin Bank Building. Oct 23-d&wtf

ALBERT T. SUMMERS,
—LOAN BROKER,—
All Classes of Loans Negotiated.
145 North Water Street, DECATUR, ILL.

LOANS Of All Kinds Made by PEGRAM & CO.,
Room One, over Citizen's Nat. Bank.

$6,000 TO LOAN on good farm security. Call on or address A. W. FREEMAN, at Millikin's Bank. mar 9-dtf

TO LOAN.—To loan on real estate—$200, $300, $350 and $500. Loans on farms at 6 per cent. made on short notice. Liberal repayment privileges. KUNY, JOHNS & STROHM, Real Estate and Insurance, 124 N. Water street. 8-d6

LOANS—I have money to place on farms and city property not over 40 per cent of value at 6 per cent, on 5 years time, with privilege of payments after the second year. Also loca money for nearly all classes of loans. Call or address Samuel McBride, 215 North Main street. dec17 d6mo

MONEY TO LOAN—I have money to loan on city property and farms without delay. Call and see me. George W. Ehrhart, Real Estate and Loans, Room 10, Opera Block. july 7-dim

MISCELLANEOUS.

AS I have gone back to the barber business again I would like my old friends and as many new ones to give me a call. First-class work our motto. Corner Water and Mason streets. FRED L. LISTON. 13-d6

THE "Dollar Special" cabinet photo is still being made, $1.00 per dozen. Proofs shown. Accuacy and permanence guaranteed. Dark days no hindrance in getting good negatives. East End Gallery, 1079 E. Eldorado St. Dec. 30 d&wtf

TWO FINE CORNER LOTS in "King's Orchard," clear of encumbrances; $1700 buys them, or will trade for house of about equal value. Look this up. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main st. Feb 16-dtf

$700 buys new three-room house, one acre of land, fifty choice bearing fruit trees, all on gravel road on the outskirts of Decatur. Who wants this? PETER H BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

$225 buys fine lot on North Union street, 40x80. What's the matter with this! nothing—only the owner needs money. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

STEAMSHIP TICKETS to all parts of Europe; either first or second cabin, or steerage tickets, at the very lowest prices. For further information call at office. PETER H. BRUECK, Agent Hamburg-American Line, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-dtf

R. O. ROSEN, Architect and Builder. Office Rooms 1 and 2, third floor, Review Building, North Main street.

SEE DILTS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old wells made deeper. Well work of all kinds and sizes, from two inches to three feet. 723 N. Water or 1712 E. Prairie street. nov23 dtf

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicle insured and stored at my risk free of cost, if repairs or repainting is necessary for spring use. Oceans of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. Jan6-dtf

THE FINEST FLOWERS.—N. Bommersbach, proprietor of the Decatur Greenhouse, has in stock at all times the finest and largest variety of cut flowers and plants at the lowest figures. Inspect the display at the greenhouse on Spring avenue. Leave orders at office or with J. B. Bullard, Syndicate Block. Jan 4, 1897-dtf

The Decatur Rubber Stamp Works.

JAMES M. MYERS, Proprietor, Old Phone 38, 301 South Church street, Decatur, Ill. Manufacture Rubber Stamps for all business purposes and furnish everything belonging to the commercial stamp trade. Send for circulars, etc. March 10-dtf

P., D. & E. EXCURSIONS.

Sunday excursion rates to all points on the P., D. & E. One fare round trip. Tickets good returning on day of sale.

Winter tourist rates now on to points south, southwest and southeast.

One way settler rates to points south every first and third Tuesday of each month. Very low.

Good connections at Peoria for Iowa, Nebraska and Colorado points; at Mattoon with Big Four for Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus and eastern points; at Evansville for all Southern and Florida points.

City ticket office removed from 119 Library Block to 121 East William street, directly across the street. New 'phone No. 28; Old, No. 430; Union Depot 'phone No. 47, New.

Call on or address W. L. Smith, Union Depot, or T. Peniwell, 121 East William street.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

GEO. P. HARDY,
Justice of the Peace,
147 South Water Street.
Apr 23-dtf

DR. LAURENS ENOS,
Homeopathist and Surgeon,
—Chronic Diseases a Specialty.—
OFFICE AND RESIDENCE, 345 N. Main st.
Jan. 13-dtf

DR. HOWARD M. WOOD
HOMEOPATHIST,
Arcade Office Building, Decatur, Ill.
Office hours 8 to 10 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m., 7 to 8 p. m
Telephones { Office, 272 Res., 216. | Residence 1448 N. Edward St

DR. L. H. CLARK,
Room 30, Arcade Office Building.
Office Hours—10 to 12 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m., 7 to 8 p. m
Telephone—Residence, 364; Office, 365.
Residence—555 West North St.

I. D. STINE,
ARCHITECT.
Pasfield Building.
Telephone 570. DECATUR, ILL.

DR. A. M. DREW,
Physician and Surgeon.
OFFICE—Over Bradley Bros.' Store; Rooms 40 and 41
RESIDENCE—442 West Prairie Avenue.
Telephone—(Old), Office 556; Residence, 556
Aug. 26-dtf

DR. M. A. MAJORS,
Treats all Diseases of Men, Women and Children. Health Advice Free.
TEN YEARS EXPERIENCE. Office Hours: 9 a. m. to 12 m.; 2 p. m. to 5 p. m.; 7 p. m to 8:30 p. m.
Room 22 Syndicate Block, Decatur, Ill

HERMAN SPIES.
Book Binder.
Practical Book Binding and Blank Book Manufacturing. 127 South Water street, Decatur, Ill. Magazines bound, names stamped in gold on books.

HARRY K. MIDKIFF,
Constable and Collector,
147 South Water St.
Telephone—Old 329, New 78, Residence, Old 306
COLLECTIONS A SPECIALTY.

ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL.
CHAS. LAUX, Proprietor.
South Side Lincoln Square, Decatur, Ill

B. I. STERRETT
ATTORNEY AT LAW.
OFFICE—Over Bryan' Clothing Store Decatur

F. L. TAYLOR, Collector. J. B. MOFFETT, Lawyer.
TAYLOR & MOFFETT,
Real Estate, Loans, Collections: Insurance and Law.
—Room 10, Opera House Block.—

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss. In the Circuit Court.

Mattie E. Peacock, Complainant, vs. Margetta Sparks et al., Defendants—In Chancery; No. 15758.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, March 20th, 1897,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Commencing 50 feet west of the southeast corner of Lot 10 in Block 2 of S K. Thompson's 2d Addition to the City of Decatur, thence north 150 feet parallel with the east line of said lot, thence west 30 feet, thence south 150 feet, thence east 30 feet to the place of beginning, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 15th day of February, 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Mills Bros., Complainant's Solicitors.
Feb. 26-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss In the Circuit Court.

The People's Savings and Loan Association, Complainants, vs. Margaret A. Leahy et al, Defendants—In Chancery, No. 16011.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the January term, of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Monday, March 22d, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to wit: Lot Fourteen (14) in Block Twenty-Two (22), of Carver's Addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois, subject to any existing mining rights.

Dated this 26th day of February, 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
William C. Johns, Complainant's Solicitor.
Feb. 26-dtd

REDEMPTION NOTICE.

To A. J. Priest and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and special assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon, and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 26th day of June, 1895, I, M F. Kanan, purchased the following described real estate in said Macon county to-wit: Lot One (1), Resurvey Lot Eight (8), D. L. Allen's Addition of Out-Lots to City of Decatur, for the taxes for the year 1894, including special taxes and special assessments, and interest penalties and costs due on the said described real estate, and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of A. J. Priest, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 26th day of June, 1897.

M. F. KANAN.
March 13-d3w

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of William H. Walters, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of William H Walters, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby give notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned

Dated this 24th day of February, 1896.

HIRAM JOHNSON, Executor.
Feb 24-d3w

CITY COLLECTING AND RATING AGENCY

He rents buildings and collects all kinds of claims at the most reasonable prices. Satisfaction guaranteed. Call on or address GEO. W. CUSTER, Room 306, Arcade Building.
Jan. 5-dtf

R. R. TIME TABLES.

In effect Feb. 7, 1897.

Wabash Line

TO CHICAGO.		FROM CHICAGO.	
12	* 1:05 a m	13	* 3:30 a m
14	*11:45 a m	15	* 3:55 p m
16	† 7:40 a m	17	* 7:35 p m
TO ST. LOUIS.		FROM ST. LOUIS.	
3	* 3:40 a m	6	*5:25 a m
11	* 6:55 a m	4	†11:25 a m
5	† 4:05 p m	14	*11:42 a m
15	* 4:00 p m	10	* 8:58 p m
1	*12:13 a m	2	*11:17 p m
7	* 7:30 p m	12	*12:55 a m
TO TOLEDO.		FROM TOLEDO.	
6	* :28 a m	1	*12:10 a m
4	†11:30 a m	7	* 7:17 p m
2	*11:20 p m	5	† 3:50 p m
10 Laf. acm.	† 4:40 p m	3	* 3:20 a m
		11	†10:30 a m
TO QUINCY.		FROM QUINCY.	
5	* 4:05 p m	4	*11:20 a m
3	* 5:40 a m	2	*10:40 p m
17 Spfd only	† 7:40 p m	16 from Spfg.	† 7:35 a m
11 Spfd acm	†10:34 a m	10 Effm acm..	† 4:36 p m

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday.

Illinois Central.

NORTH.	SOUTH.
Diamond Special, daily........1:32 a m	Diamond Special, daily........2:55 a m
No. 104, daily, 11:25 a m	No. 125 pass. ex. Sunday.... 9:30 a m
No. 194 freight ex. Sunday......2:00 p m	No. 193 freight ex. Sunday......10:10 a m
No. 107 pass. ex. Sunday......6:11 p m	No. 123, daily, 3:32 p m
No. 702 (Champ'n line) leaves, ex. Sunday......2:25 p m	No. 701 (Champ'n line) arrives ex. Sunday......10:15 a m
No. 704—to Chicago, via Champa'n, daily 6:00 a m	No. 703—From Chicago, daily 9:05 p m
No. 120 daily to Chicago......11:52 a m	No. 119 daily, to St. Louis......2:58 p m

Peoria, Decatur and Evansville.

Arrive from Peoria	Arrive from Evansville
A No. 1......10:42 a. m.	A No. 2........2:41 p. m.
D No. 3......10:10 p. m.	A No. 4........3:50 a. m.
A No. 31......4:50 p. m.	A No. 30........6:15 a. m.
	S No. 36........7:10 a. m.

Depart for Peoria	Depart for Evansville
A No. 2........2:47 p. m.	A No. 1........10:50 a. m.
A No. 4........4:10 a. m.	D No. 3........10:20 p. m.
A No. 30........6:35 a. m.	A No. 31........5:00 p. m.
S No. 36........7:30 a. m.	A No. 11........3:15 p. m.
A No. 10......10:42 a. m.	
"A"—Daily Except Sunday.	"D"—Daily. "S" Sunday Only.

Indiana, Decatur & Western Ry Co.

ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 1 Pass.... 2:25 p m	No. 4 Pass....10:50 p m
No. 3 Pass....*4:00 a m	No. 2 Pass...†11:25 a m
" 7 ....10:00 a m	" 8 .... 4:00 a m
" 9 ....c 8:00 p m	" 10‡........ 4:00 p m

*Daily. †Except Sunday. ‡Sunday only

Vandalia Line.

In effect Jan. 17, 1897.

Trains Leave Decatur, Illinois.

FOR THE WEST.

No. 7, Ex., Sun. 11:42 a. m............For Peoria
No. 5, Ex., Sun. 7:00 a. m............For Peoria

FOR THE EAST.

No. 20, Ex., Sun. 8:00 a. m......For Terre Haute
No. 6, Ex. Sun. 3:25 p. m......For Terre Haute

For complete Time Card, giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates, through cars, etc., address J. C. Millspaugh, T. P. A., Decatur, Ill., or E. A. Ford, Gen'l Pass. Agt., St. Louis, Mo.

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss

In the Circuit Court to the June Term, A. D. 1897.

Lewis F. Hall vs. Jane Willey Hall—Divorce.

It appearing by affidavit filed in my office that the above named defendant is a non-resident of the state of Illinois, notice is hereby given to you that the above named complainant has filed his bill of complaint in said court, on the chancery side thereof, which said suit is still pending, and that summons thereon issued out of said court against you the above named defendant, returnable on the first day of the next June term thereof, to be held at the court house in the City of Decatur, on the first Monday of June, 1897.

Now unless you the said Jane Willey Hall, shall be and appear on the first day of said term of said court to plead, answer or demur to said bill of complaint, the same will be taken as confessed against you and a decree rendered according to the prayer thereof.

Dated at Decatur this 22d day of February, A. D. 1897. [Seal] D. L. FOSTER, Clerk.
Feb 22-d4w

Publication Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss

In the Circuit Court, To the June Term. A. D. 1897.

Miles K. Young, Receiver of the Illinois Building and Loan Association, Vs. E. M. Weygandt, William L. Johnson and Albert T. Summers—In Chancery, No. 15,705.

Public notice is hereby given that the complainant in the above entitled cause has heretofore commenced its suit in chancery against the above named defendants; and that summons has been issued to the Sheriff of Macon county, State of Illinois, and returned not found as to the said E. M. Weygandt; and affidavit having been filed that the said E M Weygandt is a non-resident of the state of Illinois; and that the said cause is now pending and undetermined in the circuit court of Macon county.

Now unless you, the said F. M. Weygandt, shall personally be and appear before the circuit court of Macon county, state of Illinois, on the first day of the term thereof, to be held at the court house in the city of Decatur, Macon county, state of Illinois, on the first Monday of June, being the 7th day of June, A. D. 1897, and plead, answer or demur to the said bill of complaint, the same and the matters and things therein alleged will be taken for confessed, and a decree rendered against you in accordance with the prayer of the said bill of complaint.

Dated Feb. 27, 1897.

D. L. FOSTER, Circuit Clerk.
W. C. Johns, Complainant's Solicitor.
March 7-d4w

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the circuit court of Piatt county, Illinois, in favor of Thomas L. McDaniel and against Charles H. Bridges, Wm. Marshall Bridges and Frank Walz, partners doing business under the firm name and style of Bridges, Walz & Co., I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Sixty-five (65) feet in width off of the south side of Lot Three (3) of S. L. Howenstine's addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois. Taken as the property of the said Charles H. Bridges, which I shall offer at public sale at north door of the court house in Decatur, in Macon county in said state, on the 18th day of March, A. D., 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for cash in hand to satisfy said execution.

This 25th day of February, A. D. 1897.

J. P. NICHOLSON, Sheriff Macon Co., Ill.
Feb 25-dtd

ILLINOIS CENTRAL R. R.

Excursion rates to St. Louis and return every Saturday and Sunday. One fare round trip. Tickets good going Saturday afternoon and returning Monday morning.

Winter Tourist Rates are now on to points south and south-west.

Settlers' Half Fare rates to points south every 1st and 3d Tuesday of each month.

Take the new Daylight Special for Chicago and St. Louis—Solid Daily train.

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LOCAL NEWS.

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Irwin's fountain is now open for the season.

Smoke the Litle J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Drink cherry phosphate at Irwin's.

C. E. Bunn of Pekin, has taken three prizes in the dog show at Chicago.

Little Diana cigar; business men's ideal smoke; 5 for 10 cents; 100 for $1.50. L. Chodat's News House.—14-dtf

Misses' tan bals, tan patent leather trimmed, at Powers' Shoe Store.
10-d&w1w

Golden Red Lotion for chapped hands gives satisfaction. For sale at Opera House Drug store.

Cocoa cola at Irwin's fountain.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.

George Tucker will lead the men's meeting tomorrow afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. rooms.

During our removal sale are selling slightly used organs regardless of cost Easy payments may be had. Phillips & Wood. 10-d6

Take the Vandalia fast train to Peoria, two hours and fifty minutes. Leaves at 11:42 a. m.

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J. M. Hughes & Co. at Durfee & Bros.' old stand have a choice stock of fresh garden and flower seeds. Give them a call. feb23-d&wtf

Buy your garden, flower and field seeds of Dan Culp, the old reliable seedsman fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed in bulk. No. 223 North Main street. Durfee & Culp.—1-d&wtf

The revival meeting at the Antioch Baptist church has been quite interesting for the last two weeks. There has been quite a number for prayers and there have been fine additions. The meeting has been in high spirits all the way long, although the pastor has had no help. The church is much revived in interest and individual activity.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary societies of the First M. E. and Grace M. E. churches of this city will observe their annual thank offering service Sunday. Miss Franc Baker of Michigan, will deliver an address in the morning at the First church and at Grace church in the evening She is an interesting and enthusiastic speaker. Eerybody cordially invited to hear her. You cannot afford to miss such a treat.

At The Grand.

Minstrels Again To-Night.

The Beach & Bowers minstrels held forth at the Grand last night, greeted by an enthusiastic audience which packed the gallery and balcony, where standing room only signs were hung out early, while in the parquet nearly every seat was taken. The entertainment was o. k from start to finish, and every principal was an artist in his line, the band and orchestra coming in for a large share of praise for ts excellent work. Bobby Beach and Otis Bowers, with J. H. Stewart, Frank Hammond, Charles Byrne, Ed Brown, Joseph Games and Harle Wilson in the olio delighted everybody with their jokes, songs and sketches. Harle Wilson, who is a Decatur boy, received a flattering reception. The hurrah began when his name was announced and when he stepped to the front the applause continuing he was unable to proceed for a few moments. Harle is the baritone singer with the troupe. He is a good one—none better. His first selection was "All for the Love of a Girl." The second encore number was "There Will Come a Time." The audience wanted more but Bowers put up his hand and that settled it. The second part was good all through including John F. Bears, equilibrist; Frank Hammond, monologue artist; Bowers and Stewart in a sketch; Bentham and Byrne, musical act; Gruett, Bears and Gruett, eccentric grotesques—very good, the Trocadero quartet—Hammond, Gomes, Brown, Stewart and Wilson; concluding with Bobby Beach's wonderful troupe of performing dogs—everyone a pet and not a yelp from a single canine during the entire scene. Mr. Beach does not use a whip and does not speak a sharp word to any of his pets. It is a picnic for them all the time.

The minstrels will appear again tonight at 10, 20 and 30 cents, with a change of program.

Next Week.

Comedy drama plays will be the attraction at the Grand every night next week.

Thank Offering Service.

At Grace Methodist church tomorrow evening a thank offering services will be hled. Miss Franc Baker, a returned missionary, will give an address on missionary subjects.

Plenty of Measles.

Measle signs are up at the homes of George W. Meyer, 456 North Main; Mrs. Ida M. Curtis, 359 West Decatur; W. H. Starr, 335 West Main, and C. W. Montgomery, 456 West Main.

No Action.

At the adjourned meeting of the trades assembly last night there was no action taken as to bringing out a ticket. It was voted to defer action until all the candidates are nominated by the party organizations.

Candidates to Meet.

All parties who are to submit their names to the Republican voters at the township primary meetings are requested to meet at the office of Harry Midkiff, 147 South Water street on Monday evening, March 15, at 7:30 o'clock. Let every man be present on time. Per order, D. A. Maffit, chairman.

Bunn Post for Constable.

Bunn Post is formally announced in this issue as a candidate for constable subject to the action of the Republican convention. Bunn is a native of Decatur and is an active and efficient worker in the party ranks. Being a young man he would make an active officer, and if nominated would be elected. Bunn has many friends in the township who would be pleased to see his name on the ticket.

"Advice to a Young Girl."

Some time ago Rev. George F. Hall received a letter from a young girl suddenly thrown on the world, who said she was compelled to leave school, and requested the preacher's advice as to the best course to pursue. Mr. Hall will make his advice public in his Sunday evening sermon, hoping thereby to benefit others who may be placed in similar circumstances.

The choir has been drilling for several weeks on Rossini's "Inflammatus," one of the finest compositions known to the world of religious music, and will render it at the evening service. The Junior A Chorus will also sing during the service, adding over fifty voices to the regular choir of 100.

The Grand Concert.

To be given at the Tabernacle Friday and Saturday by the Decatur Choral society will be the greatest musical event of the season. The rendering of the grand choruses of the great masters by 150 of our best singers supported by a fine orchestra, piano and organ will be well worth hearing. But in addition to all this, our charming soprano soloists, Mrs. F. E. Bunn and Miss Beatrice Howard of whose singing any city might be proud, will be heard. There will also be some superb quartet singing by our leading local talent and that noble instrument, the violin, will be heard under the hand of Miss Jeanette Powers, master Roy Sanner, Milton Lutz and Prof Soldan. Miss Nellie Nichols will preside at the piano and Miss Bertha Gray at the organ with Robert Walters at the head of the orchestra and S. M. Lutz general director. These combined musical forces will endeavor to entertain the music loving people of Decatur and vicinity for the small sum of 35 cents. Admission plat opens at Curtis' jewelry store, Wednesday morning where by paying 15c extra you can secure reserve seats.

Inquest on R. B. Mitchell.

Last night at the Reeve & Wykoff undertaking rooms Coroner Bendure held an inquest on the body of Robert B. Mitchell, the old man who died at the county jail Friday morning. The jury was composed of Dr. J. L. Bevans, Dr. John Miller, Arthur Gallagher, H. M. Kreidler, J. C. Keown, Charles Downey. The principal witness examined was Dr. Dixon His testimony served only to show that Mitchell had contracted pneumonia and that his death was the result of that disease. He said that he was first called to see the patient on the fifth of this month and left him medicine. The patient did not take it according to directions because he had always been doctored by a homeopathist and did not like the kind of medicine left by the county doctor. Sam Stabler, deputy sheriff, and Eugene Cussins, also testified as to the sickness of the man and the jury returned a verdict that he came to his death by natural causes.

The home of the deceased was at Arlington Heights, a suburb of Chicago. J. L. Fonda telegraphed from that place yesterday that the body of Mitchell should be prepared for shipment to Arlington Heights and that he would come after the remains.

Rev. Fonda arrived in the city this morning to take charge of the body. The remains were taken at noon today to Chicago and on arriving in that city will be buried at Rose Hill cemetery where Mitchell owns a lot. Rev. Fonda in speaking of Mitchell's trouble said that he was confident that his brother-in-law was perfectly honest in his dealings and that he did not intend doing anything wrong. He says Mitchell has always borne the reputation of being an honorable man. All the money he had was tied up in real estate and it was simply a case where he was unable to pay back what he had borrowed. Mitchell's relatives in Chicago did not know that he was seriously ill. He had written once that he was not feeling well but they had no idea that his condition was serious. Mitchell has a half-brother in Chicago and also another sister living in New Haven, Conn.

FUNERAL OF E. A. JONES.

Held This Afternoon at the Family Residence North of the City and Largely Attended.

The funeral of the late E. A. Jones was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the family residence north of the city. There was quite a large attendance of friends. The services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Penhallegon of the First Presbyterian church. The music was rendered by a choir composed of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bunn and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gher. The burial was at Greenwood cemetery. The active ball bearers were F. L. Hays, W. C. Johns, George S. Durfee, D. L. Bunn, D. A. Maffit and Benton Blackstone. The honorary pall bearers were Dr. H. C Johns, J. R. Race, J. J. Peddecord and W. E. Nelson.

SAID TO HAVE ROBBED STOUT.

Jennie Adams, Lena Smith, Bill Reed, Ned Deppo and Laura McGinty in Jail.

Albert Stout, a young man from Parker, Ind., reported to the police last night that while in a room over the Green Tree saloon on South Park street yesterday, he had been robbed of about $86. The officers took the matter in hand and soon learned that Parker had been taken in and done for by a party of men and women. Lena Smith, Laura McGinty, Billy Reed, Ned Deppo and Jimmy Adams were arrested and all were put in jail. It has been learned that after Stout came to the city he changed a $50-bill at a certain store. All of the parties will have their trial next week.

PERSONAL MENTION.

—Norman Gouker will spend Sunday in Champaign.

—The child of Samuel Bear, of West Main street, is ill.

—H. I. Baldwin and wife have gone to Battle Creek, Mich.

—Mrs. B. O. McReynolds has returned home from Chicago.

—Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Dawson, March 12, '97, a son.

—The child of N. T. Watson, living on North Church street, is ill.

—D. S. Shellabarger left last night for Cripple Creek, Colo., on business.

—J. M. Fisher went to Bethany this morning to spend Sunday with friends.

—Miss Anna Cockran was here yesterday from Springfield visiting friends.

—James Parish and Miss Cannon were among the visitors from Harristown today.

—Marie Meyer, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Meyer is ill of the grip.

—Miss Jane Roby, who has been visiting friends in Bloomington, has returned home.

—Claire Hutchin is seriously ill at his home, down with an attack of the grip and measles.

—Mrs. Everett J. Brown, who has been visiting friends at Jacksonville, has returned home.

—Dr. T. S. Hoskins visited in Springfield yesterday with his daughter, Mrs. Peter Vredenburg, Jr.

—Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Morehouse, late of Austin, now in Bloomington, will make Decatur their home.

—John Ullrich left today for New Haven, Conn., where he will visit his daughter, Mrs. Harry Bumstead.

—J. Edward Saxton, who has been ill at Philadelphia, is better. He will be able soon to return home.

—Miss Bessie Voorhiss, who has been visiting friends at New Orleans and in Kentucky, has returned home.

—Esther, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Starr, is ill of measles at the family home on West Main street.

—Harle Wilson, the magnetic baritone vocalist with the Beach & Bowers minstrels, received a flattering ovation last night. All Decatur is proud of him.

—Supervisor and Mrs. Ross Hockaday, of Oreana, left to-day for New Orleans, La., by way of Champaign. They will be gone several weeks.

—The many friends of Attorney Hugh Crea will be pleased to hear that the reports of his condition received from Chicago are to the effect that he now shows signs of improvement. All hope for his ultimate recovery.

—Miss Louise Mitchell, the leading lady of the "Heart of Chicago" company, who has been seriously ill at the Hotel Brunswick, has about recovered from her affliction. She will leave tomorrow for Davenport, Iowa, where she will join the company.

J. A. Draper, sr., of Mt. Zion, who has been a reader of the Republican since 1867, was in the city today to renew his subscription. Mr. Draper is a native of Macon county, born in 1828. There are only two other natives of the county living, who are older than Mr. Draper. They are Buff Williams of Decatur, and Albert Florey of Macon.

George Webber of Urbana, who has been deaf for a number of years, has had a strange and peculiar experience. He has been so deaf that it has been difficult to communicate with him. Monday night he was awakened from his sleep, for some unknown reason, and heard the clock in the room below toll 12, midnight. His hearing then left him again and from that time on he has been unable to hear. It was a peculiar experience.

ENDEAVOR NEWS.

The annual convention of the Macon county Christian Endeavor Union will be held at the First Presbyterian church in this city on March 25 and 26 Representatives of all the societies in the county will be in attendance and take part in the exercises. The first session will be held Thursday evening at 7 30 o'clock It will begin with song service followed by devotional exercises led by Rev W C. Miller. An address on "Sabbath Observance" will be given by Rev W I Davenport of Princeton, Ill. The meeting will be followed by a social.

On Friday morning a sunrise prayer meeting will be led by Rev. M B Spayd sat the Edward street Christian church. At 10 o'clock there will be a business meeting at the Presbyterian church. Reports will be heard and officers elected for the next year. Rev. A. W Hawkins will give an address on the subject, "O and O Endeavorers." The afternoon services will open with a song service and will be followed by committee conferences led by the following persons: Lookout committee, A. M. Taylor, prayer meeting, G. W. Battles, missionary, Miss Ethle Dimock; Sunday school, R. C Augustine, social, Lloyd Newcombe of Maroa, good literature, Miss Carrie Knapp. In the evening there will be devotional exercises by Rev. J. Bernard and an address on "Interdenominational Fellowship" by Frank G. Smith of Abingdon. The convention will close with consecration services led by D. D. Watson of Clinton

The following is a description of novel entertainment which will be given at the tabernacle:

The Y. P. S. C. E. railroad will run an excursion train to San Francisco leaving the tabernacle on Tuesday evening, March 16, 1897, at 8:03 p. m. Round trip tickets, 10 cents. Tickets for sale only at the ticket office and on date of excursion. This trip will be novel and interesting and it is earnestly hoped that a large number of our citizens will take advantage of the cheap fare. All refreshments will be sold at greatly reduced rates. Each of the local societies taking part will represent a state along the route and will serve a variety of good things to eat and drink. At St. Louis you can buy a nice basket of lunch for a small sum of money. Topeka, Kan., will furnish sandwiches and coffee, while Salt Lake City Utah, will tempt you with lemonade and home made candy. The pretty Nevada girls will convince you that ice cream is the only dish for such a warm climate. In Colorado you will have an opportunity to visit the finest art exhibit in this country—the alone is worth the price of admission. And when you reach California your ticket will entitle you to a trip through Chinatown. Here you will drink a cup of genuine Chinese tea Wear your badges, also your calling card so everyone will know your name The whole society will introduce strangers and look after bashful fellers. There will be four coaches, an entire train crew and numerous comical characters Bring your baggage and come prepared to have a good time and help the Christian Endeavor Union to carry on the work already begun.

THERE ARE OTHERS,

But none like Edwin Clapp's Men's Fine Shoes, Colored Russia Calf, Colored Kid, Patent Leather, English Enamel and French Calf. Most every well-dressed gentleman wears them. Why don't you? New Spring styles, shapes, sizes and widths to fit every one. See them in our window. Sold only by FOLRATH & HARDY. Largest Retailers of Footwear in Decatur, Sign of the Old Cobbler in Window. March 5 dtf

Public Sale.

I will sell at my farm two miles west of Decatur on the Springfield road Saturday, March 27, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following live stock:

Twenty head of Jersey, Holsten and Short Horn cows and heifers.

13-dtd D. C. Moffit.

Election Notice.

An election of officers and directors of the Decatur Greenwood cemetery association will be held at the office of Montgomery & Shull, 141 East Main street, Decatur, Ill., between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock p. m., Friday, March 19, 97. R. R. Montogmery.—12 dtd

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